

**Taft Public Library**  
P.O. Box 86  
Mendon, Mass. 01756

**302nd**

**Annual Report**



**TOWN OF MENDON**

**Massachusetts**

**FOR THE YEAR 1968**



**ANNUAL REPORTS**

**of the**

**TOWN OFFICERS**

**of the**

**TOWN OF MENDON**

including the report of the

**SCHOOL COMMITTEE**

**for the**

**MUNICIPAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1968**

**302nd ANNUAL REPORT**

## TOWN OF MENDON

Town of Mendon Incorporated May 15, 1667

Population 2310, 1965 Census

Registered Voters in 1968, 1269

Annual Election: Fourth Monday in March

Annual Meeting:  
Succeeding Friday Evening after the Fourth Monday in March

County Commissioners:

William H. Cassidy

Joseph A. Aspero

Paul X. Tivnan

Dudley

Worcester

Paxton

Fourteenth Congressional District:

Harold D. Donohue

Worcester

Fourth Senatorial District:

James A. Kelly, Jr.

Oxford

Eighth Worcester Representative District:

Representatives General Court:

F. Leo Kenney

Harold D. Gould

Uxbridge

Blackstone

Sheriff of Worcester County:

Joseph A. Smith

Leominster

## TOWN OFFICERS

Moderator  
Gideon Halsing

### Selectmen

E. Theodore Giatas, Chairman	Term expires 1969
Arthur Wiersma	Term expires 1970
James H. Grant	Term expires 1971

### Fence Viewers

E. Theodore Giatas	James H. Grant
Arthur Wiersma	

Town Clerk  
Emily L. Coleman

### Town Treasurer

Roland A. Kinsley	Term Expires 1970
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### Tax Collector

Philip W. Harding	Term expires 1970
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### Assessors

Thomas D. Hackenson, Chairman	Term expires 1970
Walter J. Channing	Term expires 1969
Charles H. Wood	Term expires 1971

### Constables

Harold C. Barrows, Jr.	Term expires 1969
Paul Tyler	Term expires 1970
William Rondeau	Term expires 1971

### School Committee

Arthur F. Johnson	Term expires 1970
Richard L. Childs	Term expires 1969
*Harris Loring, Jr.	Term expires 1971
*Resigned Noyes W. Bridgham appointed to fill unexpired term	

### Board of Health

Edward J. Lamothe, Chairman	Term expires 1971
Ruthann M. Roy	Term expires 1969
Melba J. Armour	Term expires 1970



Regional School District Committee  
Mendon Members

Arthur F. Johnson	Term expires 1969
L. Everett Murch, Treasurer	Term expires 1970
Nancy L. Bradley	Term expires 1971

Blackstone Valley Vocational Regional  
School District  
Mendon Representative

J. Gerard Sweeney	Term expires 1971
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Superintendent of Schools  
Kenneth L. Sharp

Trustees of Taft Public Library

Henry P. Clough	Term expires 1969
E. Jane Coleman	Term expires 1971
*Harris Loring Jr.	E. Theodore Giatas
Kenneth L. Sharp	

\*Resigned Richard L. Childs appointed to fill unexpired term

Water Commissioners

James Ferrucci	Term expires 1969
Donato F. Leone, Chairman	Term expires 1970
Carlton L. Goss	Term expires 1971

Park Commissioners

Francis A. Irons	Term expires 1969
*John L. Burns	Term expires 1970
Robert A. Brownley	Term expires 1971
*Resigned Norman C. Cousineau appointed to fill unexpired term	

Tree Warden and Moth Superintendent  
William E. Nuttall

Industrial Development Commission

John E. Quirk	Elmer C. Nelson
Jesse F. White	Robert C. Jackson

Highway Surveyor  
Harold Metcalf

### Housing Authority

Frank E. Dudley	Term expires 1969
*Robert Jackson	Term expires 1970
Beatrice C. Wood	Term expires 1971
Joseph F. Bradley	Term expires 1971
David Lowell	Term expires 1973

### Planning Board

Norman Rogers	Term expires 1969
David Hamilton	Term expires 1970
Donald A. Wheeler	Term expires 1971
Eldon H. Barrows	Term expires 1972
Gordon R. Good	Term expires 1973

### Officers Appointed by the Selectmen

*Chief of Police	Patrick E. Dunlavey
Town Counsel	Jacob Oppewal
Dog Officer	James Ferrucci
Wiring Inspector	Walter J. Channing
Asst. Wiring Inspector	Alfred C. Comolli
Fire Chief and Forest Warden	Linwood E. Lowell
Superintendent of Streets	Harold Metcalf
Custodian Soldiers' and Sailors' Graves	Douglas Taylor
Inspector of Animals	Vernon A. Barrows
Inspector of Slaughtering	Francis Morrison
Town Accountant	Elizabeth A. Martini
Surveyor of Wood and Bark	Irvine Broom
Veterans' Agent	Louis Benotti
Director of Public Welfare	Helen F. Irons
Director of Civil Defense	Bradford G. Shapley
Gas Inspector	Vincent Powers
Board of Health Physician	Ronald Lukert, M.D.
Plumbing Inspector	Robert J. Rossetti
Asst. Plumbing Inspector	Vincent Powers
*Resigned—Kelsie E. Townsend, Jr. appointed to fill vacancy	

### Registrars of Voters

Henry Twitchell	Term expires 1969
George A. Daige	Term expires 1970
Ernest S. Thomas	Term expires 1971

Emily L. Coleman, Clerk

Finance Committee

John Hogarth  
William Ober

Emerson W. White  
Daniel N. Barnes

Joseph Taylor, Chairman

Field Drivers

Alex Woleck

Edward Goss

Merton F. Barrows

Board of Appeals for Sub-divisions

Walter J. Butler, Jr.

Term expires 1969

Thomas P. Guerra

Term expires 1970

Richard C. Varney

Term expires 1971

Francis H. Dunbar, Alternate

William M. Kimball, Alternate

Conservation Committee

Carl Adams

Term expires 1969

H. Raymond Grant

Term expires 1970

Lawrence J. Doyle, Jr.

Term expires 1971



## FINANCIAL REPORTS

### SELECTMEN – SALARIES

Appropriation		\$1,000.00
Expended:		
E. Theodore Giatas, Chairman	\$375.00	
Arthur Wiersma	300.00	
James H. Grant	225.00	
Kenneth Taylor	<u>100.00</u>	
Total expended		1,000.00

### SELECTMEN – EXPENSES

Appropriation		\$450.00
Expenditures:		
State and County Dues	\$ 60.00	
Association Meetings	21.34	
Printing and Postage	57.50	
Box Rent	4.40	
Appraisal of Property	20.00	
Option on Property	100.00	
Milford Daily News	55.75	
Hobbs & Warren, Inc.	31.33	
Charlescraft Press	66.25	
Other	<u>18.00</u>	
Total Expended	434.57	
Unexpended	<u>15.43</u>	
		\$450.00

### TOWN ACCOUNTANT – EXPENSES

Appropriation		\$100.00
Expended:		
Preparing Schedule A	\$15.00	
Commonwealth of Mass. (forms)	33.65	
Hobbs & Warren, Inc. (forms)	11.58	
Postage	<u>12.00</u>	
Total Expended	72.23	
Unexpended	<u>27.77</u>	
		\$100.00

## TREASURER – EXPENSES

Appropriation		\$700.00
Expended:		
Hubbard Sweet Ins. Agency, Inc.	\$176.00	
Postage	255.52	
Cerification of Notes	15.00	
Office Supplies	67.43	
Printing	15.25	
Servicing Agreement	27.00	
State Association Dues	4.00	
Association Meetings	26.72	
Other	43.80	
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Total Expended	\$630.72	
Unexpended	69.28	
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		\$700.00

## FINANCE COMMITTEE – EXPENSES

Appropriation		\$100.00
Transfer from Reserve Fund		<u>3.00</u>
Total		\$103.00
Expended:		
Association Dues	\$ 20.00	
Mimeographing	30.00	
Association Meetings	51.00	
Postal Cards	2.00	
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Total Expended	103.00	
		\$103.00

## COLLECTOR – EXPENSES

Appropriation		\$775.00
Transfer from Reserve Fund		<u>23.04</u>
Total		798.04
Expended:		
Office Supplies	\$ 20.47	
Postage & Stationery	343.25	
Bonds	185.00	
P.O. Box Rent	3.60	

A. W. LaFond Co., Inc.	115.69	
Insurance	82.10	
Milford Daily News	9.75	
Commonwealth of Mass.	34.18	
Association Dues	4.00	
Total Expended		\$798.04

#### ASSESSORS – EXPENSES

Appropriation		\$725.00
Expended:		
Postage & Stationery	\$ 43.00	
Hobbs & Warren, Inc. (forms)	73.54	
Abstracts	147.07	
Association Dues	24.00	
Association Meeting	12.00	
Car Expense	35.00	
Total Expended	\$334.61	
Unexpended	390.39	\$725.00

#### TOWN COUNSEL – EXPENSES

Appropriation		\$950.00
Expended:		
Jacob Oppewal	\$575.00	
Unexpended	375.00	\$950.00

#### TOWN CLERK – EXPENSES

Appropriation		\$875.00
Expended:		
Bonds	\$ 27.00	
Postage & Envelopes	113.30	
Forms & Book Binding	50.44	
Office Supplies	10.46	
Gavel	7.30	
Record Book	14.86	
Total Expended	\$223.36	
Unexpended	175.75	
Total held for submittal of Vouchers	475.89	\$875.00

## ELECTION AND REGISTRATIONS – EXPENSES

Appropriation		\$545.00
Expended:		
Milford Daily News	\$ 27.00	
Printing and Forms	240.77	
Meals for Election Workers	<u>214.00</u>	
Total Expended	481.77	
Total held for submittal of Vouchers	<u>63.23</u>	
		\$545.00

## RECORD ROOM MAINTENANCE

Appropriation		\$4,700.00
Expended:		
New England Telephone	\$ 158.57	
Mass. Electric Co.	53.11	
Suburban Propane Gas Corp.	329.07	
Repairs	53.19	
Supplies	77.90	
Recover Town Annals	12.00	
Salaries and Wages	<u>3,595.27</u>	
Total Expended	4,279.11	
Unexpended	<u>420.89</u>	
		\$4,700.00

## TOWN HALL MAINTENANCE

Appropriation		\$1,150.00
Expended:		
Repairs	\$282.58	
Fire Extinguisher	33.00	
Suburban Propane Gas Corp.	22.10	
Janitor Service	600.00	
Janitor's Supplies	<u>42.24</u>	
Total Expended	\$979.92	
Unexpended	<u>170.08</u>	
		\$1,150.00

## HEAT AND LIGHTS – TOWN BUILDINGS

Appropriation		\$3,000.00
Expended:		
Mass. Electric Co.	\$ 224.48	
Nydam Oil Service	1,886.86	
Niro and Dec Co.	57.15	
Dept. of Public Safety	10.00	
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Total Expended	\$2,178.49	
Unexpended	821.51	
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		\$3,000.00

## POLICE DEPARTMENT

Appropriation	\$26,900.00
Transfer from Reserve Fund	614.56
Transfer from Public Assistance	400.00
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Total	\$27,914.56

Expended:	
Salaries & Wages	\$22,802.42
Mobile Oil Co.	1,360.13
New England Tel.	551.76
Radio	362.95
Film Strip Program	86.67
Association Meetings	80.52
Uniforms & Badges	377.98
Fire Extinguisher	23.00
P.O. Box Rent	2.80
Rental of Typewriter	105.00
Insurance	411.10
Postage & Stationery	74.00
Supplies	166.16
New England Steak House	45.70
Repairs	916.39
National Safety Council	45.00
Association Dues	40.00
Pictures	25.00
Law Book Supplement	40.00
Travel Allowance-School	230.40
Medical	70.00



Total Expended	\$27,816.98	
Unexpended	<u>97.58</u>	\$27,914.56

### FIRE DEPARTMENT

Appropriation		\$6,000.00
Expended:		
Linwood E. Lowell, Chief	\$ 400.00	
Test Blowing	50.00	
Payrolls	2,212.32	
Equipment	991.85	
N.E. Tel & Tel.	471.73	
Mass. Electric	30.00	
W.H. Gibbons, Insurance	178.50	
Gulf Oil Corp.	141.48	
Association Dues & Meetings	219.40	
Repairs & Supplies	<u>1,058.30</u>	
Total Expended	\$5,753.58	
Unexpended	<u>246.42</u>	\$6,000.00

### FIRE ALARM ACCOUNT

Appropriation		\$8,500.00
Expended:		
R.B. Allen Co.	\$8,450.00	
Milford Daily News	<u>4.50</u>	
Total Expended	8,454.50	
Unexpended	<u>45.50</u>	\$8,500.00

### CIVILIAN DEFENSE

Appropriation		\$350.00
Expended:		
Lectronic Supply Co.	\$ 39.45	
Bee Kay Parade Equipment Co.	10.54	
Goodhues Cash & Carry, Inc.	29.72	
Bradford Shapley — Salary	<u>100.00</u>	

Total Expended	179.71	
Unexpended	<u>170.29</u>	\$350.00

#### AUXILIARY POLICE

Appropriation		\$500.00
Expended:		
Army and Navy Supply	\$243.15	
Unexpended	<u>256.85</u>	\$500.00

#### TREE WARDEN

Appropriation		\$2,800.00
Transfer from Reserve Fund		<u>113.45</u>
Total		2,913.45
Expended:		
Labor	\$1,313.45	
Dues	2.00	
Equipment:		
Town Truck	292.00	
Town Tractor	304.00	
Douglas Tanner Equipment	902.60	
Mike's Power Equipment	37.90	
Alberto Power Equipment	48.50	
Lakeside Garage	<u>13.00</u>	
Total Expended	\$2,913.45	\$2,913.45

#### INSPECT PEST CONTROL

Appropriation		\$800.00
Expended:		
William Nuttall, Wages and Car	\$ 25.00	
J.W. Virchow Spraying	770.00	
Milford Daily News	<u>4.00</u>	
Total Expended	\$799.50	
Unexpended	<u>.50</u>	\$800.00

## DUTCH ELM DISEASE CONTROL

Appropriation		\$1,300.00
Expended:		
William Nuttall, Wages and Car	\$ 25.00	
J. W. Virchow Spraying	1,125.00	
Poison Ivy Spraying	<u>150.00</u>	
Total Expended	\$1,300.00	\$1,300.00

## MOSQUITO SPRAYING

Appropriation		\$900.00
Expended:		
J.W. Virchow	\$868.00	
William Nuttall Schooling	<u>32.00</u>	
Total Expended		\$900.00

## BOARD OF HEALTH

Appropriation		\$6,575.00
Expended:		
District Nursing Association	\$ 400.00	
Dr. Ronald Lukert, Vaccine Program	75.00	
Salaries	150.00	
Milford Area Mental Health Assoc.	182.00	
State Beverage License	20.00	
Vaccine transportation — P. Dunlavey	9.60	
Testing of Town Well	40.00	
Advertising	28.50	
Postage	18.00	
Cooperative Vaccine Program	10.00	
Association Meetings & Dues	34.60	
Medical Supplies & Expenses	21.82	
Rent of Dump-fill & signs	<u>2,282.94</u>	
Total Expended	\$3,272.46	
Unexpended	<u>3,302.54</u>	\$6,575.00

## PLANNING BOARD

Appropriation		\$275.00
Expended:		
Association Dues	\$ 30.00	
Milford Daily News	7.50	
Association Meeting	<u>16.80</u>	
Total Expended	54.30	
Unexpended	<u>220.70</u>	\$275.00

## INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Appropriation		\$300.00
Expended:		
Governor's Conference	\$ 10.00	
Unexpended	<u>290.00</u>	\$300.00

## DOG OFFICER

Appropriation		\$860.00
Transfer from Reserve Fund		<u>173.00</u>
Total		\$1,033.00
Expended:		
James Ferrucci, Salary & Car	\$ 60.00	
Board and Destroying Dogs	<u>973.00</u>	
Total Expended		\$1,033.00

## GENERAL REPAIRS

Appropriation:		
Salaries and Wages	\$4,200.00	
Expenses	2,300.00	
Transferred from Reserve Fund		
For Salaries and Wages	<u>202.25</u>	
		\$6,702.25
Expended:		
Salaries and Wages	\$4,402.25	
Daniels Insurance Co.	183.83	
N.E. Tel. & Tel. Co.	103.25	

Postage	18.00	
Attending Meetings	81.56	
B. & M. Crushed Stone Corp.	144.10	
Centre Supply	4.56	
Upton Fuel & Const. Co.	86.50	
Peter Murphy	16.00	
Files Equipment Co.	230.20	
Rudolph Gadoury	55.03	
Cahills	7.68	
Mendon Cash Market	16.65	
Rosenfeld Sand & Gravel Co.	39.98	
Commonwealth of Mass.	24.30	
Bigelow Waste	15.00	
Hopedale Hardware	77.82	
Association Dues	5.00	
Municipal Supply Co. Inc.	60.03	
Linwood Lumber Co.	23.99	
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	\$5,595.73	
Total Expended	\$5,595.73	
Unexpended	<u>1,106.52</u>	
		\$6,702.25

#### PARK STREET CONSTRUCTION

Appropriation	\$4,000.00	
Balance from 1967	<u>263.28</u>	
		\$4,263.28
Expended:		
Labor	<u>1,411.75</u>	
		1,411.75
H.A. Daniels Ins. Co.	<u>98.21</u>	
		98.21
Hired Equipment		
A. Tetreault	992.00	
C. Goss	<u>337.60</u>	
		1,329.60
Total Expended	3,429.66	
Unexpended	<u>833.62</u>	
		\$4,263.28



## GEORGE STREET DRAINAGE

Appropriation		\$2,500.00
Expended:		
Labor	<u>538.80</u>	538.80
Hired Equipment:		
Upton Fuel & Const. Co.	<u>192.00</u>	192.00
Surveying for Grades	<u>25.00</u>	25.00
H.A. Daniels Ins. Co.	<u>37.59</u>	37.59
Materials:		
Lebaron Foundry	97.00	
B. & M. Crushed Stone Co.	132.80	
Southeastern Const. Co.	69.94	
Centre Supply	17.06	
Upton Fuel & Const. Co.	18.00	
Penn Culvert Co.	<u>1,316.97</u>	1,651.77
Total Expended	2,445.16	
Unexpended	<u>54.84</u>	\$2,500.00

## SNOW REMOVAL

Appropriated		\$14,800.00
Expended:		
Labor	\$4,742.00	
Town Equipment	1,442.00	
Hired Equipment	<u>2,645.75</u>	8,829.75
Materials:		
Hooker Chemical Corp.	29.60	
C.N. Wood Inc.	162.72	
Ober's Express Inc.	7.28	
Concord Woodworking Co.	95.20	
H.A. Daniels Ins. Co.	196.99	
Chemical Corporation	313.78	
International Salt Co.	<u>2,862.82</u>	

Rosenfeld Sand & Gravel Co.	1,391.98	
Harold C. Barrows, Jr.	<u>20.00</u>	
Expended	13,910.12	
Unexpended	<u>889.88</u>	\$14,800.00

## CHAPTER 81

Appropriation	\$3,700.00	
State Allotment	<u>10,175.00</u>	\$13,875.00
Expended:		
Labor	6,824.20	
Town Equipment	<u>1,138.00</u>	\$7,962.20
Hired Equipment:		
Upton Fuel & Construction Co.		
Trucks, Sanders & Loader	457.00	
R. Weiker, Grader & Roller	780.00	
H.A. Thayer, C.B. Cleaner	240.00	
A. Tetreault, Drott-Dozer	<u>56.00</u>	\$1,533.00
Materials:		
H.A. Daniels Insurance Co.	283.52	
Upton Fuel & Const. Co.	556.90	
Bayer & Mingolla Stone Co.	678.93	
Independent Bituminous Co.	2,241.88	
Rosenfeld Sand & Stone Co.	608.23	
Hopedale Coal & Ice Co.	<u>10.00</u>	\$4,379.46
Total Expended	\$13,874.66	
Unexpended	<u>.34</u>	\$13,875.00

CHAPTER 90 CONSTRUCTION  
1965 FUNDS

Appropriation	\$3,500.00	
County Allotment	3,500.00	
State Allotment	<u>7,000.00</u>	\$14,000.00
Expended in 1965	4,537.43	
Expended in 1966	186.40	
Expended in 1967	<u>5,216.59</u>	
Total Expended		\$9,940.42
Unexpended Balance December 31, 1967		<u>4,059.58</u>
		\$14,000.00
Expended in 1968:		
Labor	1,601.15	
Town Equipment	<u>317.00</u>	
		\$1,918.15
Materials:		
Penn Culvert Company	148.28	
Southeastern Const. Co.	329.65	
Upton Fuel & Const. Co.	306.45	
Page Lumber Co.	15.00	
Daniels Insurance Co.	<u>111.82</u>	
		\$911.20
Hired Equipment:		
C. Goss	90.00	
Upton Fuel & Const. Co.	<u>1,140.00</u>	
		\$1,230.00
Total Expended in 1968	4,059.35	
Expended in 1965 — 1966 — 1967	<u>9,940.42</u>	
		\$13,999.77
Unexpended Balance		<u>.23</u>
		\$14,000.00

CHAPTER 90 CONSTRUCTION  
1966 Funds

Appropriation	\$3,500.00	
County Allotment	3,500.00	
State Allotment	<u>7,000.00</u>	\$14,000.00

Expended in 1968:		
Labor	1,909.10	
Town Equipment	<u>416.00</u>	2,325.10
Hired Equipment:		
A. Tetreault	1,248.00	
Upton Fuel & Const. Co.	978.00	
C. Goss	<u>217.00</u>	2,443.00
Materials:		
Roland Temple	289.10	
Upton Fuel & Const. Co.	453.65	
Daniels Insurance Co.	<u>133.19</u>	875.94
Total Expended in 1968	\$5,644.04	
Unexpended Balance	<u>8,355.96</u>	\$14,000.00

#### CHAPTER 90 MAINTENANCE

Appropriation	\$1,700.00	
County Allotment	1,700.00	
State Allotment	<u>1,700.00</u>	\$5,100.00
Expended:		
Labor	1,606.80	
Town Equipment	<u>206.00</u>	1,812.80
Hired Equipment:		
Upton Fuel & Const. Co.	279.50	
R. Weiker	264.00	
W. & W. Contractors Inc.	<u>25.00</u>	568.50
Materials:		
B. & M. Crushed Stone Co.	285.83	
Rosenfeld Sand & Stone Co.	682.48	
Daniels Insurance Co.	66.75	
Independent Bituminous Co.	<u>1,683.10</u>	2,718.16
Total Expended		5,099.46
Unexpended		<u>.54</u>
		\$5,100.00

## ROAD MACHINERY ACCOUNT

Transferred From Road Machinery Fund	\$3,700.00	
Transferred at Special Town Meeting	<u>1,000.00</u>	\$4,700.00
Expended:		
Gulf Oil Corp.	\$1,631.92	
H.A. Daniels Insurance	375.21	
Corbin Manufacturing Co.	46.40	
Dept. of Public Safety	8.00	
Floyd Ours	23.85	
Scott-Ahearn	8.07	
Milford Auto Parts	110.05	
Registry of Motor Vehicles	16.50	
Rosenfeld's Garage	209.62	
Milford Welding	18.00	
Butler Chevrolet	1.80	
Hopedale Hardware	10.77	
Lakeside Garage	573.03	
Wrentham Equipment Co.	420.92	
Donald Lowell	453.67	
Davis Tractor Co.	42.38	
O'Grady's Service Station	77.75	
Karl A. Bright Ins. Co. Inc.	218.23	
Carl Anderson	3.00	
Aldor Tetreault	25.00	
F. Frabotta & Sons	<u>163.68</u>	
Expended	\$4,437.85	
Unexpended	<u>262.15</u>	\$4,700.00

## BATES STREET RECONSTRUCTION CHAPTER 616 ACTS OF 1967

State Allotment		\$2,734.76
Expended:		
Labor	\$416.00	
H.A. Daniels Ins. Co.	<u>29.00</u>	\$445.00
Total Expended	\$445.00	
Unexpended	<u>2289.76</u>	\$2,734.76



TRUCK TRADE IN  
AND  
SIDEWALK PLOW ACCOUNT

Transferred from Road Machinery Account		\$9,500.00
Truck Trade In:		
Nelson's Service Station	\$4,200.00	
Milford Daily News	9.00	
Ingham's Sign Shop	15.00	
Tru-Bilt Body Co.	35.00	
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Sidewalk Plow:		
Casey & Dupuis Equip. Corp.	\$3,399.00	
Milford Daily News	15.75	
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Total Expended	\$7,673.75	
Unexpended	1,826.25	
	<hr/>	\$9,500.00

ROAD MACHINERY FUND

Balance January 1, 1968	\$13,230.22	
Transferred to Road Machinery Account	3,700.00	
Transferred to Truck & Tractor Account	9,500.00	
Paid to Town Treasurer		
For Use of Equipment:		
Snow Removal	\$1,442.00	
Regional School	153.00	
Chapter 81	1,138.00	
Chapter 90 Maintenance	206.00	
Chapter 90 Const. — 1965 Funds	317.00	
Chapter 90 Const. — 1966 Funds	416.00	
	<hr/>	3,672.00
Unexpended Road Mach. Acct.	262.15	
Unexpended Truck—Tractor Acct.	1,826.25	
Unexpended 1968 Account	30.22	
	<hr/>	5,790.62

# ADMINISTRATION OF PUBLIC ASSISTANCE

January 1 to July 1, 1968

Town Appropriation:	\$1,500.00	
Federal Grants:		
Balance January 1, 1968	2,045.97	
Receipts 1968	<u>2,439.53</u>	
Total available		5,985.50
Expended:		
Salaries	3,240.00	
Travel expense	16.80	
Telephone	73.35	
Postage	97.06	
Supplies	<u>55.02</u>	
Total expended		3,482.23
Transferred to School Dept.	960.00	
Transferred to M.A.	<u>1,000.00</u>	
Total Transfers		1,960.00
Unexpended		<u>543.27</u>
		5,985.50
Above Expenditures Pro-rated:		
Federal Share	2,005.99	
State Share	860.88	
Local Share	<u>615.36</u>	
		3,482.23

## PUBLIC ASSISTANCE

Town Appropriation	50,000.00	
Refunds and Cancellations	<u>1,520.05</u>	
Total Available		51,520.05
Expended:		
General Relief	630.62	
A.F.D.C.	5,004.76	
O.A.A.	5,230.27	
Medical Asst.	<u>24,458.92</u>	
Total Expended	35,324.57*	
Transferred to other Dept. Accounts	<u>5,400.00</u>	
	40,724.57	
Unexpended Balance	<u>10,795.48</u>	
		51,520.05

\*Pro-rated share of above expenditures

Federal Share	18,164.46
State Share	11,529.48
Town Share	<u>5,630.63</u>
	35,324.57

#### Payments from Federal Grants

Balance January 1, 1968	933.56	
Receipts 1968	40,131.85	
Transfers and Refunds	<u>1,080.00</u>	
Total Available		42,145.41
Expended:		
A.F.D.C.	3,572.54	
D.A.	812.40	
O.A.A.	4,969.53	
Medical Asst.	<u>29,234.34</u>	
Total expended	38,588.81	
Unexpended balances 12/31/68	<u>3,556.60</u>	42,145.41

#### Cases Aided January 1 — June 30, 1968

General Relief	5 cases	13 persons
A.F.D.C.	11 cases	55 persons
Disability Asst.	3 cases	3 persons
Old Age Asst.	21 cases	21 persons
Medical Asst.	<u>70 cases</u>	<u>146 persons</u>
Total aided	110 cases	238 persons

#### ADMINISTRATION OF VETERANS' BENEFITS

Appropriation		\$ 575.00
Expended:		
Louis Benotti, Salary	450.00	
Postage	<u>6.00</u>	
Total Expended	456.00	
Unexpended	<u>119.00</u>	575.00

## VETERANS' BENEFITS

Appropriation		4,000.00
Transfer from Reserve Fund		1,236.20
Transfer from Available Funds		3,500.00
Transfer from Public Assistance		<u>3,000.00</u>
Total		11,736.20
Expended:		
Nine Cases	9,929.32	
Unexpended	<u>1,806.88</u>	11,736.20

## TAFT PUBLIC LIBRARY FINANCIAL REPORT 1968

Appropriation		\$2625.00
Transfer from Reserve Fund		<u>70.60</u>
Total		2695.60
Expended		
Lorna F. Rhodes	\$ 750.00	
E. Jane Coleman	221.20	
Priscilla W. Denton	405.31	
Antonio J. Chiccarelli	150.00	
Barney Coal Co.	439.23	
Mass. Electric Co.	111.37	
Americana Interstate Corp.	6.40	
Campbell and Hall	192.42	
Doubleday & Co.	51.00	
Goodspeeds Inc.	6.24	
H. W. Wilson Co.	37.00	
Nathaniel Dame & Co.	12.55	
Silver Burdett	42.90	
F. W. Faxon Co.	165.50	
Clarke Printing Co.	33.00	
American Library Assoc.	8.00	
Mass. Library Assoc.	3.00	
Gift to Regional Consultant	5.00	
Bro—Dart	10.00	
Cahill's News Agency	3.37	
Children's Book Council	3.50	
Hopedale Hardware	11.47	
Lakeside Flower Shop	5.00	

Floor cleaning supplies	5.04	
P. O. Box and postage	12.60	
Milford Daily News	<u>4.50</u>	
		\$2695.60
Fletcher Fund		
Campbell and Hall	213.81	

#### PARK DEPARTMENT

Appropriation		\$1,150.00
Expended:		
Treeland Nursery	\$1,017.00	
Clayton Parkinson Grhs.	26.80	
Lakeside Flower Shop	<u>30.00</u>	
Total Expended	1,073.80	
Unexpended	<u>76.20</u>	
		1,150.00

#### TOWN BEACH MAINTENANCE

Appropriation		3,200.00
Transfer from Reserve Fund		<u>285.55</u>
Total		3,485.55
Expended:		
Salaries and Wages	2,012.90	
Association Dues	15.00	
Massachusetts Electric Co.	34.08	
Nipmuc Marine	200.10	
Aldore Tetreault	175.00	
Supplies	118.43	
Floor Covering	111.38	
Bellingham Lumber Co.	50.60	
Custom Fence Co.	480.00	
Hopedale Hardware Co.	132.56	
Arcudi Oil Co.	61.00	
M & T Trucking Service	15.00	
Curtis Coal Co.	6.78	
Ernest White	<u>35.62</u>	
Total Expended	3,448.45	
Unexpended	<u>37.10</u>	
		\$3,485.55



## MEMORIAL DAY OBSERVANCE

Appropriation		\$300.00
Expended:		
Regional High School Band	\$75.00	
Elementary School Band	50.00	
Stanley Gardner Florist	39.25	
Danny's Variety	4.75	
Joseph Buscone	52.14	
Flags	<u>28.00</u>	
Total Expended	249.14	
Unexpended	<u>50.86</u>	
		\$300.00

## TOWN REPORTS

Appropriation		\$950.00
Expended		
Charlescraft Press	867.16	
Unexpended	<u>82.84</u>	
		\$950.00

## RESERVE FUND

Appropriation		\$5,000.00
Transfers by Finance Committee to:		
Veterans' Benefits	\$1,236.20	
Ins. Town Buildings	563.80	
Town Beach	285.55	
Police Dept. Exp.	614.56	
Record Room Equipment	168.00	
General Repairs Sal. & Wages	202.25	
Taft Library	117.50	
Dog Officer Account	173.00	
Tree Warden Expense	50.00	
Tree Warden Sal. & Wages	63.45	
Tax Collector's Expense	23.04	
Group Ins. Administration	3.20	
Finance Committee	<u>3.00</u>	
Total Transfers	3,503.55	
Balance	<u>1,496.45</u>	
		\$5,000.00

# REPORT OF TOWN ACCOUNTANT

December 31, 1968

## RECEIPTS

### General Revenue

#### Taxes:

##### Current Year:

Personal Property	\$ 28,093.01
Real Estate	309,985.46
Farm Animal Excise	957.14

##### Previous Years:

Personal Property	387.19
Real Estate	22,697.75
Farm Animal Excise	59.00

#### From the State:

Income Tax	39,225.46
Corporation (Business)	756.00
School Aid, Chapter 70	65,840.15
Special Education	2,361.00

#### Licenses and Permits:

Alcoholic Beverages	3,400.00
All Other	1,118.50

#### Fines and Forfeitures

150.00

#### Grants and Gifts:

##### From Federal Government:

Old Age Assistance, Aid	5,400.00
Old Age Assistance, Adm.	509.36
Aid to Dependent Children, Aid	4,934.00
Aid to Dependent Children, Adm.	648.80
Disability Assistance, Aid	800.00
Disability Assistance, Adm.	144.50
Medical Assistance, Aid	29,077.85
Medical Assistance, Adm.	1,136.87
National Defense Education Act	76.97
Highway Improvement Loan, Chap. 616	2,734.76

From the State:	
O.A.A. Meal Tax	1,279.31
School Transportation	10,373.31
Vocational Education	408.00
Schools, Title I	4,817.00
Aid to Schools Projects	4,595.48
Handicapped	140.00
Aid to Libraries	517.00
From the County:	
Dutch Elm Disease Control	125.87
Dog License Refund	398.50
Privileges:	
Motor Vehicle Excise:	
Current Year	51,907.48
Previous Years	4,648.52
Departmental:	
Pay Station Commission	80.10
Certification of Municipal Liens	96.00
Police Insurance Reports	25.00
Pistol Permits	100.00
Firearms Permits	272.00
Advertising Licenses	52.25
Town Hall Rent	158.25
Wiring Inspections	351.00
Anniversary Film	19.00
Dog Officer Reimbursement	1,029.00
Town Maps	15.50
Elementary School Rent	562.00
Welfare Office Rent	180.00
Sale of Dogs	93.00
Sale of Tractor	57.77
Highways:	
From the State:	
Chapter 81, Acts 1967	1,045.83
Chapter 81, Acts 1968	6,588.25
Chapter 90 Cons. 1965	6,999.89
Chapter 90 Maint. 1967	1,699.84
From the County:	
Chapter 90 Cons. 1965	3,499.94
Chapter 90 Maint. 1967	1,699.84

From the Town:	
Truck and Machinery Rental	4,453.50
Charities:	
From the State:	
Public Welfare—General Relief	143.37
Aid to F/W Dependent Children	3,220.62
Disability Assistance	47.30
Medical Assistance	18,857.76
Old Age Assistance	4,170.18
Veterans' Services	2,508.03
From Individuals:	
Old Age Asst. Recoveries	380.00
Aid to F/W Dependent Children	1,140.05
Schools:	
Tuition from other Towns	1,305.00
Tuition from State Wards	892.70
School Lunch Program	18,455.50
Library Fines	17.14
Rent of Fire Tower Land	50.00
Water Services	2,329.18
Revenue Loan	175,000.00
Interest:	
Thayer Cemetery Fund	8.00
Deferred Taxes	969.72
Motor Vehicle Excise	257.54
Farm Animal Excise	4.13
On Deposit	6.18

#### Agency, Trust and Investment

Dog License Fees	810.75
Income Trust Funds	258.81
Federal Withholding Taxes	24,774.71
State Withholding Taxes	4,550.01
State W/H Tax Services	43.79
Worcester Co. Retirement Fund	3,119.94
Employees Group Insurance	2,274.72

## Refunds

General Departments	248.22
Collector's Bond	50.00
Salt Recovery	<u>44.53</u>
Total Receipts	894,720.08
Balance January 1, 1968	<u>106,431.63</u>
	\$1,001,151.71

## EXPENDITURES

### General Government

Moderator's Salary	25.00
Selectmen's Salaries	1,000.00
Selectmen's Expense	434.57
Town Accountant's Salary	700.00
Town Accountant's Expense	72.23
State Audit of Accounts	24.07
Treasurer's Salary	1,500.00
Treasurer's Expense	630.72
Collector's Salary	1,200.00
Collector's Expense	798.04
Assessor's Salaries and Wages	1,044.56
Assessor's Expense	334.61
Finance Committee Expense	103.00
Town Clerk's Salary	450.00
Town Clerk's Expense	223.36
Town Counsel's Salary	50.00
Town Counsel's Expense	575.00
Valuation Book	11.50
Elections and Registrations Salaries & Wages	1,411.47
Elections and Registrations Expense	481.77
Record Room Salaries and Wages	3,595.27
Record Room Expense	683.84
Record Room Equipment	468.00
Planning Board Expense	54.30
Town Hall Maintenance	979.92
Heat and Light Town Building	2,178.49
Industrial Development Committee Expense	10.00



## Protection of Persons and Property

Constables' Salaries	60.00
Police Department Salaries and Wages	22,802.42
Police Department Expense	5,061.86
Police Cruiser Trade-in	2,000.00
Fire Department Salaries and Wages	2,662.32
Fire Department Expense	2,099.41
Fire Department Equipment	991.85
Insect Pest Control	799.50
Dutch Elm Disease Control	1,300.00
Mosquito Spraying	900.00
Tree Warden Salaries and Wages	1,313.45
Tree Warden Expense	1,600.00
Wiring Inspector	200.00
Gas Inspector's Salary	25.00
Dog Officer	1,033.00
Civilian Defense	199.63
Auxiliary Police Expense	243.15
Fire Alarm System	8,454.50

## Health and Sanitation

Board of Health	3,272.46
Worcester County Hospital	807.08
Inspector of Animals	150.00
Inspector of Slaughtering	25.00
Inspector of Plumbing	170.00

## Highways

General Repairs	5,595.73
Snow Removal	13,910.12
Park Street Construction	3,429.66
Road Machinery Maintenance	4,437.85
Chapter 81	13,874.66
Chapter 90 Maint.	5,099.46
Chapter 90 Const. 1965	4,059.35
Chapter 90 Const. 1966	5,644.04
George Street Drainage	2,445.16
Bates Street	445.00
Equipment	7,673.75
Street Lighting	1,299.00

### Charities

Administration of Public Assistance	540.00
Public Welfare Salaries	37.50
General Relief	35,324.57
Old Age Assistance (Federal)	6,076.50
A.F.D.C. — Federal	4,233.63
Disability Assistance—Federal	1,376.83
Medical Assistance — Federal	29,844.08
Administration of Veterans' Benefits	456.00
Veterans' Benefits	9,929.32

### Schools and Library

Elementary School	157,200.18
Vocational Education	3,928.75
School Lunch Program	18,819.19
Regional School, General Control	171,205.18
Blackstone Valley Voc. School Gen. Control	4,977.60
Taft Public Library	2,695.51
Taft Public Library Heating System	1,658.00
Elementary School Heating System	10,012.00
N.D.E.A. Title III	142.96
Co-operative Research, Title I	4,846.01

### Recreation

Park Department	1,073.80
State Recreation Areas	1,820.16
Town Beach Maintenance	3,448.45
Reg. Summer Rec. Program	280.00

### Pensions

Annuity Fund	500.00
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### Unclassified

State Assessment System	92.40
Motor Vehicle Excise Tax Bills	262.65
Memorial Day Observance	349.14
Town Reports	867.16
Soldiers' and Sailors' Graves	50.00
Insurance Town Buildings	3,063.80

Worcester County Retirement Fund	3,895.72
Unpaid Bills of 1967	138.49
Public Service Enterprise	
Water Department Maintenance	1,707.52
Interest	
Temporary Loans	3,119.50
Water Construction Note	33.75
Town Beach Note	462.00
Elem. School Addition Note	1,260.00
Municipal Indebtedness	
Water Construction Loan	1,000.00
Regional School, Capital Costs	21,750.60
Revenue Loan	175,000.00
Elem. School Addition Loan	6,000.00
Town Beach Loan	2,000.00
B.V. Voc. School, Capital Costs	1,630.00
Agency, Trust and Investment	
County Tax	18,225.23
Sale of Dogs	141.00
Dog Licenses for County	809.00
Welfare Funds	45.00
Fletcher Library Fund	213.81
State Withholding Taxes	4,550.01
Federal Withholding Taxes	24,774.71
Contributory Retirement Fund	3,119.94
Group Insurance, Town Employees	4,454.92
Refunds	
1968 Real Estate Taxes	1,020.96
1967 Motor Vehicle Excise	603.58
1968 Motor Vehicle Excise	<u>2,236.16</u>
Total Expenditures	\$896,427.40
Balance December 31, 1968	<u>104,724.31</u>
	\$1,001,151.71

Elizabeth A. Martini  
Town Accountant

**TOWN OF MENDON**  
**Balance Sheet -- December 31, 1968**

GENERAL ACCOUNTS			Liabilities and Reserves
Assets			
Cash			\$ 5.25
Accounts Receivable:			
Taxes:			
Levy of 1967			
Real Estate	\$4,764.88		63.32
Levy of 1968			
Personal Property	454.92		
Real Estate	27,263.06		92.55
Motor Vehicle Excise:			
Levy of 1967	4.13		
Levy of 1968	4,971.07		
		4,975.20	
Farm Excise:			
Levy of 1968		45.00	
Tax Titles and Possessions:			
Tax Titles	908.36		121.89
Tax Possessions	53.87		2,702.60
		962.23	4,099.87



Departmental:					Appropriation Balances:	
Town Hall	41.25				Revenue:	
General Relief	9.00				General	45,088.50
Welfare Office Rental	90.00					
Disability Assistance	62.81				Sale of Real Estate Fund	700.00
Medical Assistance	2,696.07				Receipts Reserved for Approp.	
Veterans' Services	3,965.44				Road Machinery Fund	5,790.62
					State Aid to Libraries	517.00
				6,864.57		6,307.62
Water:						
Rates				198.78	Reserve Fund:	
					Overlay Surplus	2,209.30
Aid to Highways:						
State:					Revenue Reserved Until Collected:	
Chapter 90 Const. 1966	\$7,000.00				Motor Vehicle Excise	4,975.20
Chapter 90 Const. 1967	7,000.00				Farm Animal Excise	45.00
Chapter 90 Const. 1968	7,000.00				Tax Titles and Possessions	962.23
Chapter 90 Maint. 1968	1,700.00				Departmental	6,864.57
Chapter 81	3,586.75				Water	198.78
					Aid to Highways	38,468.75
County:						51,532.53
Chapter 90 Const. 1966	3,500.00					
Chapter 90 Const. 1967	3,500.00				Surplus Revenue	84,770.95
Chapter 90 Const. 1968	3,500.00					
Chapter 90 Maint. 1968	1,700.00					
				\$38,468.75		



Unprovided for or Overdrawn Accounts:	
Underestimates 1968	
County Tax	1,560.34
State Recreation Areas	240.15
Overlay Deficit:	
Levy of 1967	269.39
Levy of 1968	1,159.54
	3,229.42
Overdrawn Appropriations:	
School Lunch	2,900.77
	<u>\$194,869.89</u>

DEBT ACCOUNTS	
Net Funded or Fixed Debt:	
Inside Debt Limit:	
General	
Outside Debt Limit:	
General	\$36,000.00
Public Service Enterprise	1,000.00
	37,000.00
Serial Loans:	
Inside Debt Limit:	
General:	
Land Purchase (Beach)	\$12,000.00
Outside Debt Limit:	
General:	
School Building Addition	\$36,000.00
Public Service Enterprise:	
Water	\$1,000.00
	37,000.00
	<u>\$49,000.00</u>
	<u>\$194,869.89</u>

TRUST AND INVESTMENT ACCOUNTS

Trust and Investment Funds:		
Cash and Securities:		
In Custody of Town Treasurer	\$71,066.48	
In Custody of Treasurer:		
Welfare Funds:		
M & H.E.P. Daniels		\$3,859.35
Nathan R. George		1,461.84
Austin Wood		1,697.93
		7,019.12
Library Funds:		
Anna Ellis		968.84
Austin B. Fletcher		5,888.28
		6,857.12
Cemetery Fund:		
J. Bates, J. Cox & J. Cox		166.18
Bicknell		261.68
A. & E. Scott & M. & I. Scott		1,034.63
		1,628.67
Investment Fund:		
Stabilization		55,561.57
		<u>71,066.48</u>
		<u><u>71,066.48</u></u>
	Elizabeth A. Martini	
	Town Accountant	

# REPORT OF TOWN TREASURER

## TOWN OF MENDON

### January 1, 1968 – December 31, 1968

	Balance Jan. 1, 1968	1968 Receipts	Sub-Total	1968 Disbursements	Balance Dec. 31, 1968
GENERAL FUND REPORT	\$106,431.63	\$894,720.08	\$1,001,151.71	\$896,427.40	\$104,724.31
TRUST FUND REPORTS					
Stabilization Fund	\$52,826.13	\$2,735.44	\$55,561.57		\$55,561.57
Austin Wood Relief Fund	1,622.27	75.66	1,697.93		1,697.93
Anna Ellis Library Fund	926.12	42.72	968.84		968.84
Austin Fletcher Library Fund	5,832.94	269.15	6,102.09	213.81	5,888.28
Nathan R. George Jr. Relief Fund	1,397.38	64.46	1,461.84		1,461.84
Rachel Ann Bates Lot Bicknell Cemetery	250.15	11.53	261.68		261.68
Annie E. Gaskill Lot Bicknell Cemetery	158.87	7.31	166.18		166.18
Joseph S. Cox, Joseph Bates and John S. Cox Lots Bicknell Cemetery	158.87	7.31	166.18		166.18
Marcena and Harriet E. Pierce Daniels Fund	3,734.12	170.23	3,904.35	45.00	3,859.35
Adrian & Ellen J. (Thayer) Scott, Malcom D. & Ida M. (Barrows) Scott	1,000.00	34.63	1,034.63		1,034.63

Respectfully submitted,  
 ROLAND A. KINSLEY, Town Treasurer

# REPORT OF THE COLLECTOR OF TAXES FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1968

## 1966 Real Estate Taxes

Uncollected 1/1/68	\$1,727.68	
Interest	<u>102.39</u>	
	\$1,830.07	
Paid to Treasurer		\$1,727.68
Interest		<u>102.39</u>
		\$1,830.07

## 1967 Personal Property Taxes

Uncollected 1/1/68	\$ 416.33	
Interest	<u>20.02</u>	
	\$ 436.35	
Paid to Treasurer		\$ 387.19
Interest		20.02
Abatement		<u>29.14</u>
		\$ 436.35

## 1967 Farm Animal & Machinery Excise Taxes

Uncollected 1/1/68	\$ 59.00	
Interest	<u>4.13</u>	
	\$ 63.13	
Paid to Treasurer		\$ 59.00
Interest		<u>4.13</u>
		\$ 63.13

## 1967 Motor Vehicle Excise Taxes

Uncollected 1/1/68	\$1,761.56
Additional Committments	3,151.38
Interest	61.31
Refunds	<u>586.61</u>
	\$5,560.86

Paid to Treasurer	\$4,643.92
Abatements	851.50
Interest	61.31
Uncollected	<u>4.13</u>
	\$5,560.86

1967 Real Estate Taxes

Uncollected 1/1/68	\$26,007.44
Interest	<u>713.09</u>
	\$26,720.53

Paid to Treasurer	\$20,970.07
Interest	713.09
Abatements	240.25
Tax Title Account	32.24
Uncollected	<u>4,764.88</u>
	\$26,720.53

1968 Farm Animal & Machinery Excise Taxes

Committed	<u>\$1,069.64</u>
	\$1,069.64

Paid to Treasurer	\$ 957.14
Abatements	67.50
Uncollected	<u>45.00</u>
	\$1,069.64

1968 Personal Property Taxes

Committed	\$28,581.76
Interest	<u>3.93</u>
	\$28,585.69



Paid to Treasurer	\$28,093.01
Interest	3.93
Abatements	33.83
Uncollected	<u>454.92</u>
	\$28,585.69

#### 1968 Real Estate Taxes

Committed	\$353,517.72
Interest	157.53
Refunds	<u>1,020.96</u>
	\$354,696.21

Paid to Treasurer	\$308,230.04
Interest	157.53
Abatements	18,995.94
Tax Title Account	157.08
Uncollected	<u>27,155.62</u>
	\$354,696.21

#### 1968 Committed Real Estate Taxes

Committed	<u>\$1,862.86</u>
	\$1,862.86

Paid to Treasurer	\$1,755.42
Uncollected	<u>107.44</u>
	\$1,862.86

#### 1968 Motor Vehicle Excise Taxes

Committed	\$59,120.00
Interest	168.99
Refunds	<u>2,236.16</u>
	\$61,525.15

Paid to Treasurer	\$51,907.48
Interest	168.99
Abatements	4,477.61
Uncollected	<u>4,971.07</u>
	\$61,525.15

#### 1968 Special Accounts

Certificates of Municipal Lien (32)	\$ 96.00	
Paid to Treasurer		\$ 96.00
Refund on Bond	50.00	
Paid to Treasurer	<u>50.00</u>	<u>50.00</u>
	\$ 146.00	\$ 146.00

Respectfully submitted,

Philip W. Harding

Tax Collector

## ASSESSORS' REPORT

The Assessors' Recapitulation Sheet and Table of Aggregates is given below:

### Recapitulation 1968

**Town Appropriations:**

To be raised by Taxation	\$574,953.21
To be Taken from Available Funds	57,925.26
Other Amounts to be Raised	4,044.67

**State:**

Tax and Assessments	2,359.08
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**County:**

Tax and Assessments	17,471.97	
Overlay for 1968	<u>17,870.23</u>	
Gross Amount to be raised		\$674,624.42
Estimated Receipts	\$233,596.85	
Available Funds	<u>58,928.09</u>	

Total Estimated Receipts & Available Funds \$292,524.94

Net Amount to be raised by Taxation  
on Property

\$382,099.48

Personal Property Taxes \$ 25,581.76

Real Estate Taxes 353,517.72

Total Taxes Levied on Property \$382,099.48

### Aggregates 1968

Assessments on Real Estate 851

Assessments on Personal Estate 63

**Value of Assessed Personal Estate:**

Stock in Trade	\$ 40,225.00
Machinery	128,820.00
Livestock	20,395.00
Other Tangible Personal Property	<u>651,200.00</u>

Total Value of Assessed Personal Estate \$840,640.00

**Value of Assessed Real Estate:**

Land, exclusive of Buildings	1,908,890.00
Buildings, exclusive of Land	<u>8,488,690.00</u>

Total Assessed Real Estate \$10,397,580.00

Total Value of Assessed Personal &  
Real Estate

\$11,238,220.00

Tax on Personal Estate 28,581.76

Tax on Real Estate 353,517.72

Total Tax Levied	\$382,099.48
Rate of Tax per \$1,000.00	\$34.00

Number of Livestock Assessed:	General	Farm Animals \$5 Excise
Horses	26	3
Cows	21	401
Bulls, Yearlings, Etc.	15	7
Swine	0	86
Sheep	20	0
Fowl	191	110
All Other	9	0
Number of Dwelling Houses Assessed	733	
Number of Acres of Land Assessed	10,761	

#### Motor Vehicle Excise Taxes

Committed to Collector		
Vehicles Registered in 1967	\$ 3,151.38	
Vehicles Registered in 1968	<u>59,120.00</u>	
Total Commitments		\$62,271.38
Motor Vehicle Excise Taxes Abated:		
1967 Taxes	\$ 856.65	
1968 Taxes	<u>4,477.61</u>	
Total Abatements		\$ 5,334.26

#### Farm Animal, Farm Machinery And Equipment Excise

Total Value of Farm Animals & Equipment	\$213,972.00
Total Commitment (Rate of Tax per \$1,000, \$5.00)	1,069.64

#### Overlay Account

1967 Overlay Reserve	\$ 578.13
1967 Abatements on Property	847.52
1968 Overlay Reserve	17,870.23
1968 Abatements on Property	19,029.77

Respectfully Submitted,  
 Thomas D. Hackenson, Chairman  
 Walter J. Channing  
 Charles H. Wood  
 BOARD OF ASSESSORS

## JURY LIST 1968

Atkinson, George W.J.	Kinsley Lane	Foreman
Austin, John W.	Uxbridge Street	Clerk
Barrows, Roberta H. (Mrs.)	Bates Street	Clerk-Typist
Boyer, Jean H.	Cape Road	Registered Nurse
Bridgham, Noyes W.	Providence Street	Designed Engineer
Broome, Irvine	Washington Street	Foreman
Butler, Walter J. Jr.	Millville Rd.	Electrician
Childs, Richard L.	Myrtle Street	Technical Designer
Clough, Henry P.	Providence Street	Retired
(Asst. Principal, Nipmuc Regional High School)		
Cousineau, Emile E.	Providence Street	Semi Retired
(Supervisor, Dairy Herd Improvement Assoc.)		
Denton, Pricilla W.	Thayer Road	Subst. Librarian
DiCrescentis, Dominic W.	Bates Street	Rigger
Ferrucci, James S.	Bellingham Street	Farmer
Good, Gordon R.	North Avenue	Retired
(Laboratory Engineer) Draper Corp.		
Hoberg, Carl F.	Providence Street	Retired
(Foreman-Draper Corp.)		
Irons, Francis A.	Providence Street	Owner Machine Shop
Kearsley, Donald W.	Hartford Ave. West	Toolmaker
Magee, Gertrude S. (Mrs.)	Millville St.	At Home
Mantoni, Dorothy S. (Mrs.)	Maple Street	Clerk
Mathewson, Marjorie A. (Mrs.)	Hartford Ave. West	At Home
Walenty, Louise C.	Cape Road	At Home
Wheeler, Donald A.	Providence Street	Salesman
Yones, Alec J.	Pleasant Street	Machinist
York, Harry C.	Bates Street	Toolmaker



## REPORT OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

To the People of Mendon:

1. During 1968 a considerable portion of the Selectmen's time and effort was devoted to problems concerning our Police Department. These problems finally culminated in the resignation of the former Police Chief and the selection and appointment of Kelsie Townsend to this position. From all indications the Board is convinced that our selection has been a wise and prudent one. It is pointless to state that due to the great amount of time spent on this issue many items which needed our attention have been postponed or otherwise delayed. It is hoped that the Police Department can now proceed and function with little or no attention required from this Board.

2. One of the items at the July 22nd Special Town Meeting concerned the building of new office facilities. This item has been brought before the voters several times in the past few years. Each postponement only serves to add more gravity to this serious situation. The Building Committee is again working on a new approach toward resolving this matter and it is fervently hoped that the townspeople will accept their next recommendation.

3. The Board has recommended to the Conservation Committee that action be taken to set aside under their jurisdiction a piece of wet land of approximately fourteen acres to which the Town has taken title due to unpaid taxes. The value of this land lies in that it controls the water level of Lake Nipmuc and thus would be of benefit to the Town.

Secondly we have requested the Conservation Committee to explore the possibility of acquiring a piece of land of approximately four acres adjacent to the Town Beach Parking Lot. This land could be used to expand our recreational area when necessary or desirable.

4. The Town had the unfortunate experience of two deaths due to drowning at Lake Nipmuc. In the interest of assuring the highest degree of safety the Board met with officials of the Worcester Chapter of the Red Cross and reviewed in depth all existing conditions at our beaches. The outcome of this has been the adoption of several measures which further improved the safety of these areas.

5. The Board with the Chief of Police has met with representatives from the Department of Public Works of Worcester and Boston to discuss traffic rules and regulation plans for the Town. The Board will adopt and make rules and orders for the regulation of traffic upon the streets and highways of our Town.

6. The Fire Department has procured and installed a Town Fire Alarm System which at present contains five alarm stations and covers only one section of the Town. We believe that this is a significant step forward, the providing better fire protection for our citizens. It is hoped that additional funds will be appropriated in the future to expand this alarm system to all areas of the Town.

7. The Board working in conjunction with the various departments of the Town has provided hospitalization and life insurance coverage for Town Employees who work in excess of twenty hours per week or earn more than \$2,000.00 annually. The cost of this program is shared equally by each employee and the Town.

Other benefits such as paid holidays, vacations, paid sick day allowances, police uniforms and equipment have also been provided. The amounts of these benefits in each instance are equal to or less than those allowed by private industry or surrounding Towns.

8. The Board has installed street lights at several intersections in order to improve night safety conditions. It is planned that additional lights will be added in areas which so warrant.

9. The crowded conditions at our Regional High School continue to increase with double sessions now in their second year. While this arrangement is in existence we are depriving our children of a full scholastic curriculum to properly prepare them for entrance into institutions of higher learning. Double sessions only postpone the day of reckoning on this issue and with each postponement the region will be faced with significantly higher building costs when a final determination to build has been reached.

10. The year 1968 saw the opening of two new businesses on Route 16. It is hoped that this beholds the beginning of more such acquisitions. In relation to these matters the Board will focus prime attention in 1969 toward activating and strengthening the Industrial Development Commission.

11. Several controversial issues came before the Board during this year. On each occasion a small minority group has severely and unjustifiably criticized the action of the Board and in many instances misrepresented the facts to the public. This condition was further aggravated by one of the local news media which normally covers our meetings by further misinterpreting the information submitted to them by their agents. The objectives here are obvious and any rebuttal on our part would serve no useful purpose.

The Board has refrained on many occasions from entering into any dialogue after considering the source of this information. Secondly such participation would create more embarrassment to the Town and its people and in the process would result in impairing the dignity of the office which is represented by the Board.

If the citizens of Mendon wish to continue to attract those who are most qualified for the Office of Selectman, they should openly express their confidence in them and provide their support on critical issues.

12. The Board feels that it is only proper that we take note in our report of the retirement of Mr. Joseph Taylor from the Finance Committee. Mr. Taylor has been a member of this committee for the past nine years, serving as its chairman for the nine years. During this time he has served our Town in an exemplary, dedicated and sacrificial manner seldom seen in the annals of our Town history. Such effort and performance should not go unnoticed and it is with sincere gratitude that we extend our appreciation for his service to us all.

Respectfully submitted,  
E. Theodore Giatas, Chairman  
Arthur Wiersma  
James H. Grant



## TOWN CLERK REPORT

1968

The Town Clerk's position is a blending of official duties and responsibilities as spelled out in 73 Chapters and 451 sections of the General Laws. It is a natural tendency of citizens to seek out the Town Clerk as a source of information, aid or assistance in regard to almost any aspect of town affairs, services, or functions. The Town Clerk relates to nearly every town official in some way, as well as to all boards and committees.

In serving the town for 40 years as Assistant Town Clerk and for the past two years as Town Clerk, I have enjoyed every aspect of the responsibilities and duties of the office as well as the genial atmosphere of working with various boards and committees. However, the genial atmosphere has been somewhat lacking in one area during 1968.

As Town Clerk, I wish to express my sincere gratitude to all town departments, with one exception, for their cooperation throughout the year of 1968.

### Vital Statistics for 1968

Births	25
Marriages	23
Deaths	24

### Receipts for 1968

Dog Licenses	\$ 898.00
Fish and Game Licenses	\$1,272.00

Emily L. Coleman  
Town Clerk

1968  
TOWN WARRANT  
Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Worcester, ss.

To the Constable of the Town of Mendon in the County of Worcester,

Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are directed to notify the inhabitants of the Town of Mendon qualified to vote in elections and in town affairs to meet at the Town Hall in said Mendon on Monday the 25th day of March, A.D. 1968 punctually at 9:00 o'clock A.M. to act on the following articles, viz:

**ARTICLE 1.** To bring in their ballots for the following Town Officers:

One Moderator for one year  
One Selectman for three years  
One Assessor for three years  
One Town Clerk for one year  
One Tree Warden for one year  
One Highway Surveyor for one year  
One Member of the Regional School District Committee  
for three years  
One Member of the Elementary School Committee for  
three years  
One Trustee for Taft Public Library for two years  
One Park Commissioner for three years  
One Water Commissioner for three years  
One Member of the Planning Board for two years  
One Member of the Planning Board for four years  
One Member of the Planning Board for five years  
One Constable for three years  
One Member Board of Health for three years  
One Member of the Housing Authority for five years  
One Member of the Blackstone Valley Vocational  
Regional School District for three years

all on one ballot, designating the office intended for each person.

Article 2 and all following Articles on this Warrant will be acted upon Friday, the twenty-ninth day of March 1968, at 7:30 o'clock P.M.



**ARTICLE 2.** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue for the financial years beginning January 1, 1968 and January 1, 1969 in accordance with the provisions of General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 4, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year, in accordance with the provisions of General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 17.

**ARTICLE 3.** To fix the Salaries and compensations of the Elected Officers of the Town.

**ARTICLE 4.** To determine what sums of money the Town will raise and appropriate, including appropriations from Available Funds to defray charges and expenses of the Town, including debt and interest, and to provide for a Reserve Fund for the ensuing year.

**ARTICLE 5.** To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$138.49 to pay unpaid 1967 bills.

**ARTICLE 6.** To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$95,000.00, Ninety-five thousand dollars for the construction and original equipping of a Town Office Building including library facilities and to meet said appropriation the sum of \$10,000.00 be taken from the Stabilization Fund and the Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen be authorized and directed to issue and sell as one issue, or from time to time as two or more issues, serial bonds or notes of the Town aggregating \$85,000.00 in principal amount under authority of Chapter 44, Section 7 of the General laws, as amended, and that all bonds or notes shall be issued and sold in accordance with the applicable provisions of Law, but each issue of bonds or notes shall be a separate loan which shall be paid in not more than ten years from the date thereof, or do or act in any manner pertaining thereto.

**ARTICLE 7.** To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$8,500.00 for the purchase and installation of a fire alarm system, such system to include the existing two schools, the Housing for the Elderly and the center of Town. Proposed system to be constructed so as to be expandable at any future time.

**ARTICLE 8.** To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$2,000.00 for replacing the heating system in the Taft Public Library.

**ARTICLE 9.** To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$2,500.00 for the purpose of installing drainage on George Street.

**ARTICLE 10.** To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$4,000.00 for the purpose of reconstruction work on Park Street.

**ARTICLE 11.** To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$2,734.76 from the proceeds of Chapter 616 of the Acts of 1967 for the reconstruction of Bates Street.

**ARTICLE 12.** To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$500.00 for the purpose of providing for participation of eligible retarded children in a Regional Summer Recreation Program.

**ARTICLE 13.** To see if the Town will vote to accept a gift of \$1,000.00 from Mrs. Samuel B. Lincoln for the purpose of establishing a Trust Fund in the name of Adrian and Ellen J. (Thayer) Scott and Malcolm D. and Ida M. (Barrows) Scott, the interest to be used for the care and maintenance of the above named Scott Grave lots in Pine Hill Cemetery.

**ARTICLE 14.** To see if the Town will vote to change the name of the North Avenue Elementary School now known as the "Center School" to the "Henry P. Clough School", in honor of our recently retired and beloved educator, Henry P. Clough.

**ARTICLE 15.** To see if the Town will vote to place the "Town Beach Property" at Lake Nipmuc under the jurisdiction and control of the Park Commissioners, subject to the rules heretofore established as they may from time to time be amended.

**ARTICLE 16.** To see if the Town will vote to abolish the Town Forest Committee and turn over the control of all property under its control to the Town Conservation Committee.

**ARTICLE 17.** To see if the Town will vote to accept Chapter 41 Section 97A of the General Laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, which is an act authorizing the Police Department to be under the supervision of an officer to be known as the Chief of Police, or take any action thereon.

**ARTICLE 18.** To determine whether the Town will vote to petition the General Court to pass an act entitled "An Act providing

life tenure for Patrick E. Dunlavey, incumbent of the office of Chief of Police of the Town of Mendon”.

And you are directed to serve this Warrant by posting an attested copy in three or more public places in the Town of Mendon, at least seven days before said meeting; one copy thereof shall be posted on the Town Hall Building.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk of said town before the time of meeting here aforesaid.

Given under our hands at Mendon, this 19th day of February A.D. 1968.

Kenneth Taylor  
E. Theodore Giatas  
Arthur Wiersma  
SELECTMEN OF MENDON

A true copy, attest:  
Harold C. Barrows, Jr.  
Constable of Mendon

March 25, 1968

Pursuant to the foregoing Warrant, nine hundred and fifty-four qualified voters cast their ballot at the Town Hall, the twenty-fifth day of March 1968. The meeting to act on Article one was called to order at 9:00 A.M. by the Moderator, Henry P. Clough. It was voted to waive the reading of the Warrant at this time. The ballot box was opened for inspection. Previous to the polls being declared open at 9:05 A.M., the following Election officers were duly qualified:

Stella Savicki  
Blanche Lamothe  
Eileen Johnson  
Elgar Bartlett  
Gertrude Lavergne  
Helen Taylor  
Dorothy Lowell  
Anna Mae Wood, Warden

At 7:00 P.M. Shirley Barnes was duly qualified to work the rest of the evening.



Police on duty throughout the Election were Chief Dunlavey, Kelsie Townsend.

List of ballots cast each hour:

9:05 A.M.	to	10:00 A.M.	72	
10:00	to	11:00	81	
11:00	to	12:00 Noon	55	
12:00	to	1:00 P.M.	54	
1:00	to	2:00	68	
2:00	to	3:00	54	
3:00	to	4:00	83	
4:00	to	5:00	93	
5:00	to	6:00	119	
6:00	to	7:00	147	
7:00	to	8:00	128	Total 954

1240 Ballots received: 954 votes cast: unused ballots 286

The result of the Election was announced at 12:35 A.M. March 26, 1968 by the Warden Anna Mae Wood.

Town Clerk for one year

Emily L. Coleman	822
Blanks	132

Town Moderator

Gideon Halsing	628
Leo J. Lovely	303
Blanks	23

Selectman for three years

Kenneth Taylor	380
James H. Grant	566
Blanks	8

Assessor for three years

Charles H. Wood	813
Blanks	141

Constable for three years

Robert E. Klein	265
Ettore J. Magliocca	318
William D. Rondeau	356
Blanks	15

Highway Surveyor for 1 year	
Harold Metcalf	805
Blanks	149
Tree Warden for 3 years	
William E. Nuttall	785
Blanks	149
Board of Health for 3 years	
Edward J. Lamothe	789
Blanks	165
Housing Authority for 5 years	
David B. Lowell	714
John J. Moriarty	206
Blanks	34
Trustee Taft Public Library for 2 years	
E. Jane Coleman	801
Blanks	153
Park Commissioner for 3 years	
Robert A. Brownly	758
Blanks	196
Water Commissioner for 3 years	
Carlton L. Goss	785
Blanks	169
Elementary School Committee for 3 years	
Harris E. Loring, Jr.	785
Blanks	159
Blackstone Valley Regional Vocational School District Committee for three years	
J. Gerard Sweeney	795
Blanks	
Nipmuc Regional School Committee for 3 years	
Nancy L. Bradley	639
Joseph N. Testa	252
Blanks	63



Planning Board for 5 years	
Gordon R. Good	782
Blanks	72

Planning Board for 4 years	
Elden H. Barrows	777
Blanks	177

Planning Board for 2 years	
David F. Hamilton	755
Blanks	199

Voted to adjourn the meeting to 7:30 P.M. March 29, 1968.

### March 29, 1968

Adjourned meeting called to order by the Moderator Gideon Halsing. Henry P. Clough, duly qualified, served as Moderator in the Lower Town Hall; with the two-way speaker system being in use. The attendance for this meeting was 245 registered voters, as per checklist with Harold F. Lowell and John E. Quirk as checkers. Permission was granted by the voters to allow the following to sit in at the meeting: Mr. Napier Scribner of the Worcester Telegram and Gazette, Mr. Sharpe, Superintendent of Schools, Jacob Oppewal Town Counsel, and Chief of Police Patrick Dunlavey who is not a registered voter in the Town of Mendon.

All motions under this Warrant are presented as written motions.

**ARTICLE 2.** Voted that the Treasurer be authorized, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue for the financial years beginning January 1, 1968 and January 1, 1969, in accordance with the provisions of General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 4, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year, in accordance with the provisions of General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 17.

**ARTICLE 3.** Voted that the annual salaries of the Elected Officers of the Town of Mendon be fixed as follows:

Moderator	\$ 25.00	
Chairman of Selectmen	400.00	
Board Members — each	300.00	
Treasurer	1500.00	
Tax Collector	1200.00	plus fees
Assessors — each	325.00	
Town Clerk	450.00	plus fees
Constables — each	20.00	
Board of Health — each	50.00	
Board of Welfare — each	25.00	

and the Tree Warden be compensated at the rate of \$2.10 per hour; the Park Commissioners be compensated at the rate of \$1.90 per hour; and that all salaries and wages be effective as of April 1.

**ARTICLE 4.** All items under this article as read by the Chairman of the Finance Committee were voted for favorably with the exception of Items 55–56–57–61 and 62, which were later presented under written motions.

Item 55. It was voted that the sum of three thousand, seven hundred dollars (\$3,700.00) be appropriated to meet the Town's share of the cost of Chapter 81 Highways, and that the sum of ten thousand one hundred and seventy-five dollars (\$10,175.00) be appropriated from Available Funds to meet the State's share of the cost of the work; the reimbursements from the State to be restored, upon their receipt, to the Excess and Deficiency Account.

Item 56. It was voted that the sum of one thousand seven hundred dollars (\$1,700.00) be appropriated to meet the Town's share of the cost of Chapter 90 Highways Maintenance and that the sum of three thousand four hundred dollars (\$3,400.00) be appropriated from Available Funds to meet the State's and County's share of the cost of the work; the reimbursements from the State and County to be restored, upon their receipt, to the Excess and Deficiency Account.

Item 57. It was voted that the sum of three thousand five hundred dollars (\$3,500.00) be appropriated to meet the Town's share of the cost of Chapter 90 Highways Construction and that the

sum of ten thousand five hundred dollars (\$10,500.00) be appropriated from Available Funds to meet the State's and County's shares of the cost of the work; the reimbursements from the State and County to be restored, upon their receipt, to the Excess and Deficiency Account.

Item 61. Voted that the sum of \$3,700.00 be appropriated from the Road Machinery Fund to the Road Machinery Account.

Item 62. Voted that the sum of \$9,500.00 be appropriated from the Road Machinery Fund, for the purchase of a new truck with special equipment and that the present 1962 International truck be taken in trade; and for the purchase of sidewalk snow removal equipment. This truck and equipment to be purchased under the jurisdiction of the Selectmen and the Highway Surveyor.

The complete list of Appropriations of this meeting will be found on pages 18 and 19.

**ARTICLE 5.** It was voted that the sum of \$138.49 be appropriated to pay unpaid bills of 1967. The vote was unanimous.

**ARTICLE 6.** Mr. E. Theodore Giatas read the following motion under this article: Mr. Moderator: I make a motion that the Town appropriate the sum of \$95,000.00 for the construction and original equipping of a Town Office Building including library facilities, and to meet said appropriation, the sum of \$10,000.00 be taken from the Stabilization Fund and the Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen be authorized and directed to issue and sell as one issue, or from time to time as two or more issues, serial bonds or notes of the Town aggregating \$85,000.00 in principal amount under authority of Chapter 44, Section 7 of the General Laws, as amended, and that all bonds or note shall be issued and sold in accordance with the applicable provisions of Law, but each issue of bonds or notes shall be a separate loan which shall be paid in not more than ten years from the date thereof, or do or act in any manner pertaining thereto. Mr. Giatas also read an Amendment to Article 6 as follows: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$45,000.00 for the construction and the original equipping of a Town Office Building, the design and location of which to be presented and approved at a Town Meeting to be called for this purpose at some future date. To meet the said appropriation the sum of \$10,000.00 be taken from the Stabilization Fund and the Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen be authorized and



directed to issue and to sell as one issue, or from time to time as two or more issues, serial bonds or notes of the Town aggregating \$35,000.00 in principal amount under authority of Chapter 44, Section 7 of the General Laws as amended and that all bonds or notes shall be issued and sold in accordance with the applicable provisions of Law but each issue of bonds or notes shall be a separate loan which shall be paid in not more than ten years from the date thereof or do or act in any manner pertaining thereto. Donald Consoletti questioned the amendment in opposition. Amendment comments were made by Elizabeth Martini, Leo Lovely, Theodore Giatas, Joseph Taylor, who stated that the Finance Committee had no knowledge of the amendment and was unable to make any recommendation on the same. Remarks were made by Arthur Wiersma, David Hamilton, Henry Twitchell and James Grant. A ten minute recess from 8:40 to 8:50 P.M. was declared by the Moderator for the benefit of the Finance Committee. The meeting was resumed and an amendment to the amendment was presented by Donald Consoletti, and was ruled out by the Moderator. Further remarks were made by Gordon Good, David Allen, Louis Benotti and Joseph Taylor. Selectman Giatas admitted that it had been too late to change the place of meeting to another location. Amendment to Article 6 was reread and put to a hand vote, with John Quirk and Harold Lowell serving as tellers. A 2/3 vote was needed on financial recommendations. Vote: Yes 140 No 110 Needed 166, Amendment rejected. Motion for Article 6 as worded in Warrant was reread. Carleton Goss made remarks. Joseph Taylor made the following motion: The finance committee recommends that Article 6 be referred back to the Building Committee for further study, and to report back at a Special Town Meeting. Voted unanimously on both floors in favor of motion.

## BUDGET EXPENDITURES

under Article 4

1968

Moderator, Salary	\$ 25.00
Finance Committee, Expense	100.00
Selectmen, Salaries	1,000.00
Expense	450.00
Town Accountant, Salary	700.00
Expense	100.00
Treasurer, Salary	1,500.00
Expense	700.00
Tax Collector, Salary	1,200.00
Expense	775.00
Assessors, Salaries and Wages	1,175.00
Expense	725.00
Town Counsel, Salary	50.00
Expense	950.00
Town Clerk, Salary	450.00
Expense	875.00
Elections and Registrations	
Salaries and Wages	1,630.00
Expense	545.00
Planning Board, Expense	275.00
Industrial Dev. Commission	300.00
Record Room, Salaries and Wages	3,500.00
Expense	1,200.00
Furniture and Equipment	300.00
Tax Title Foreclosure	100.00
Heat and Lights — Town Buildings	3,000.00
Town Hall Maintenance, Salary	600.00
Expense	550.00
Constables, Salaries	60.00
Police Department, Salaries and Wages	22,500.00
Expense	4,400.00
Dog Officer, Salary	60.00
Expense	800.00
Fire Department, Salaries and Wages	2,400.00
Expense	1,900.00
Equipment	1,200.00
Civil Defense, Salary	100.00
Expense	250.00



Auxiliary Police, Expense	500.00
Board of Appeals, Expense	25.00
Wiring Inspector, Salary	200.00
Expense	35.00
Gas Inspector, Salary	25.00
Tree Warden, Wages	1,250.00
Expense	1,550.00
Insect Pest Control	800.00
Dutch Elm Disease Control	1,300.00
Additional Spraying (Inc. Mosquito)	900.00
Board of Health, Salaries	225.00
Expense	6,350.00
Inspector of Animals, Salary	150.00
Inspector of Slaughtering, Salary	25.00
Inspector of Plumbing, Salary	250.00
Highways	
General Repairs, Wages	4,200.00
Expense	2,300.00
Chapter 81, Town's Share	3,700.00
State's share from available funds	10,175.00
Chapter 90, Maintenance	
Town's share	1,700.00
State and County share from available funds	3,400.00
Chapter 90, Construction	
Town's share	3,500.00
State and County share from available funds	10,500.00
Snow Removal, Wages	4,800.00
Expense	10,000.00
Street Lights	1,500.00
Road Machinery Account	
From Road Machinery Fund	3,700.00
Equipment Purchase	
From Road Machinery Fund	9,500.00
Board of Welfare, Salaries	75.00
Administration, Public Assistance, Salary	1,500.00
Public Assistance	50,000.00
Veterans' Administration	
Salary	450.00
Expense	125.00
Aid to Veterans	4,000.00

Center School, Salaries and Wages	116,849.81
Expense	41,028.56
Capital Costs	7,260.00
Vocational Education	4,872.00
Nipmuc Regional School District	
Operating and Maintenance Costs	171,205.18
Capital Costs	21,760.60
Blackstone Valley Voc. School District	
Operating and Maintenance Costs	4,977.60
Capital Costs	1,630.00
Taft Public Library, Salaries and Wages	
Including Library Aid of \$517.00	1,500.00
Expense (including Dog License refund of \$398.50)	1,125.00
Park Department, Wages	100.00
Expense	1,050.00
Town Beach and Recreation Program	
Salaries and Wages	1,800.00
Expense	1,400.00
Pensions and Benefits	
Worcester County Retirement Fund	3,895.72
Group Insurance – Town Employees	2,500.00
Group Insurance – Administration	100.00
Town Reports	950.00
Memorial Day Observance	300.00
Soldiers' and Sailors' Graves	50.00
Insurance on Town Buildings	2,500.00
Reserve Fund	5,000.00
Water Department, Expense	2,000.00
Maturing Debt, Water Loan	1,000.00
Town Beach Loan	2,000.00
Interest on Maturing Debt	
Water Loan	33.75
Town Beach Loan	462.00
Interest on Temporary Loans	3,000.00
Fire Alarm System—Article 7	8,500.00
Heating System—Taft Public Library—Article 8	2,000.00
Installation of drainage, George St.—Article 9	2,500.00
Reconstruction work—Park St.—Article 10	4,000.00
Reconstruction work—Bates St.—Article 11	2,734.76
Summer Recreation Program—Article 12	500.00
Unpaid Bills—1967	138.49

**ARTICLE 7.** After a discussion on this article, it was voted that the sum of \$8,500.00 be appropriated for the purchase and installation of a fire alarm system. This system to include the existing two schools, the Housing for the Elderly, and the center of the Town in accordance with a plan proposed by the Fire Chief. This system to be purchased under the jurisdiction of the Selectmen and the Fire Chief. Unanimous vote.

**ARTICLE 8.** Voted that the sum of \$2,000.00 be appropriated for the purchase and installation of a new heating system to replace the present heating system in the Taft Public Library. Unanimous vote.

**ARTICLE 9.** Voted that the sum of \$2,500.00 be appropriated for installing drainage on George Street. Unanimous vote.

**ARTICLE 10.** Voted that the sum of \$4,000.00 be appropriated for reconstruction work on Park Street. Unanimous vote.

**ARTICLE 11.** Voted that the sum of \$2,734.76 be appropriated from the proceeds of Chapter 616 of the Acts of 1967 for reconstruction work on Bates Street. Unanimous vote.

**ARTICLE 12.** Voted that the sum of \$500.00 be appropriated for the purpose of providing for participation of eligible retarded children in a Regional Summer Recreational Program. Unanimous vote.

**ARTICLE 13.** Voted that the Town accept a gift of \$1,000.00 from Mrs. Samuel B. Lincoln for the purpose of establishing a Trust Fund in the name of Adrian and Ellen J. (Thayer) Scott and Malcolm D. and Ida (Barrows) Scott, and the interest to be used for the care and maintenance of the above named Scott grave lots in Pine Hill Cemetery. Unanimous vote.

**ARTICLE 14.** Voted that the Town change the name of the North Avenue Elementary School now known as the "Center School", to the "Henry P. Clough School" in honor of our recently retired and beloved educator, Henry P. Clough. Unanimous rising vote.

**ARTICLE 15.** Voted that the Town place the "Town Beach Property" at Lake Nipmuc under the jurisdiction and control of the Park Commissioners effective January 1, 1969, and subject to the



to the rules heretofore established as they may from time to time be amended. Unanimous vote.

**ARTICLE 16.** Voted that the Town abolish the Town Forest Committee effective January 1, 1969, and turn over the control of all property under its jurisdiction to the Town Conservation Committee. Unanimous Vote.

**ARTICLES 17 and 18.** The Moderator declared articles 17 and 18 invalid due to the fact that they were improperly inserted in the Warrant. According to Chapter 39, Section 10 of the General Laws, petitions for articles in the Warrant must be presented to the Board of Registrars for certification of names. This procedure was not carried out, hence the reason for the Moderator declaring them invalid. There was considerable argument and discussion under these articles. The Town Clerk stated that the correct information was given her by the Supervisor of Elections in the State House, and the Secretary of State John F. X. Davoren, personally. The Town Clerk stated that she followed orders from the State House and not the Board of Selectmen.

The Moderator declared the meeting dissolved at 10:05 P.M.

March 25, 1968

A special invitation was extended to Secretary of State John F. X. Davoren to visit Mendon on Election day.

Mr. Davoren and his staff arrived at 12:15 P.M. and was taken to the Town Hall to inspect the Election. He was introduced to the Warden, election workers and all connected with the Election. Mr. Davoren stated that he found everything in proper order.

After a brief visit at the Town Hall, Mr. Davoren, his wife, his niece and his staff were escorted to the New England Steak House for a luncheon served by Mr. John E. Quirk, proprietor. Those accompanying Mr. Davoren and his group were the Town Clerk of Mendon, Arthur Wiersma and Kenneth Taylor of the Board of Selectmen of Mendon.

**TOWN WARRANT FOR PRESIDENTIAL PRIMARY**  
**Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

Worcester, ss.

To either of the constables of the Town of Mendon

Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said town who are qualified to vote in Primaries to meet in Mendon Town Hall, Tuesday, the Thirtieth day of April, 1968 at 4:00 o'clock P.M. for the following purposes:

To bring in their votes to the Primary Officers for the Election of Candidates of Political Parties for the

**PRESIDENTIAL PREFERENCE**

- 2 District Delegates to the National Convention of the Democratic Party 4th Congressional District.
- 2 Alternate District Delegates to the National Convention of the Democratic Party 4th Congressional District.
- 2 District Delegates to the National Convention of the Republican Party 4th Congressional District.
- 2 Alternate District Delegates to the National Convention of the Republican Party 4th Congressional District.

**DISTRICT MEMBERS OF STATE COMMITTEE** (one man and one Woman for each political party for the 4th Senatorial District.

10 Members of the Democratic Town Committee (if any are to appear on the ballot)

10 Members of the Republican Town Committee (if any are to appear on the ballot)

The polls will be open from 4:00 P.M. to 8:00 P.M.

Hereof fail not and make return of this warrant with your doings thereon at the time and place of said meeting.



Given under our hands this 11th day of April A.D. 1968

E. Theodore Giatas  
Arthur Wiersma  
James H. Grant  
SELECTMEN OF MENDON

A true copy, attest:  
Harold C. Barrows, Jr. Constable  
Mendon April 13, 1968

### PRESIDENTIAL PRIMARY

Mendon, Mass., April 30, 1968

Pursuant to the foregoing warrant the Presidential Primary was held this 30th day of April 1968 at the Mendon Town Hall. The reading of the warrant was waived. Mr. Gideon Halsing, the Moderator was present. Robert Burns was the police officer on duty. The ballot box was opened for inspection and the Polls declared open at 4:05 P.M.

The following Election workers were present:

Anna Mae Wood, Warden	D
Stella Savicki	D
Dorothy Lowell	R
Eileen Johnson	D
Elgar Bartlett	R
Blanche Lamothe	D
Helen Taylor	R
E. Jane Coleman	R

Assistant Town Clerk working in the absence of  
the Town Clerk,

Hourly voting proceeded as follows:

4 P.M.	to	5 P.M.	18
5	to	6	14
6	to	7	4
7	to	8	17
Total 53 votes cast			

Democrat votes 24 — Republican votes 29. At nine o'clock the results were announced.

Democratic Ballot

Presidential Preference

Eugene J. McCarthy	10
Robert Kennedy	7
Johnson	1
Humphrey	3
Blanks	4

District Delegates and Alternate District Delegates to National Convention, 4th District.

Delegates Group 1

Casdin	9
Murphy	10
Blanks	5

Alternate Delegates Group 1

Silveri	3
Baker	1
Blanks	20

Delegates Group 2

Buckley	12
Conte	12
Blanks	0

Alternate Delegates Group 2

Dias	4
Courtney	4
Blanks	20

State Committee 4th Worcester District

Casey	18
Glowik	0
Blanks	6

State Committee 4th Worcester District

Murray	16
Blanks	8

No Democratic Town Committee on Ballot.

## Republican Ballot

### Presidential Preference

John A. Volpe	8
Nixon	11
Rockefeller	6
Blanks	4

## District Delegates and Alternate District Delegates to National Convention Group

### Delegates

Gammal	24
Manzi	20
Blanks	14

### Alternate Delegates

Randall	26
Morgan	20
Blanks	12

### State Committee 4th Worcester District

Pappas	24
Blanks	5

### State Committee 4th Worcester District

DiBattista	25
Blanks	4

Democratic Town Committee presented by Secretary of State  
April 1968

Conrad J. O'Donnell  
Alice M. O'Donnell  
Stella F. Savicki  
George A. Daige  
Blanche C. Lamothe  
Kenneth D. Morgan  
John E. Quirk  
Doris M. Quirk  
J. Gerard Sweeney  
John J. Moriarty

Republican Town Committee as presented by Secretary of  
State April 1968

Elmer C. Nelson  
Walter J. Butler, Jr.  
Mildren I. Nelson  
Donato F. Leone  
Anne P. Feccia  
Edna F. Young  
Harold F. Lowell  
Dorothy S. Manton  
Beatrice C. Wood  
William C. Scott

James S. Ferrucci  
Edward A. Hummel  
Mildred T. Hummel  
Donald A. Wheeler  
Marian L. Vear  
Melba J. Armour  
Walter F. Thomas  
Janet L. Grant  
David A. Allen  
Judith E. Ober

Emily L. Coleman  
Town Clerk

## TOWN WARRANT

### Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Worcester, ss.

To the Constable of the Town of Mendon in the County of  
Worcester

Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are  
directed to notify the inhabitants of the Town of Mendon qualified  
to vote in elections and in town affairs to meet at the Town Hall in  
said Mendon on Monday the nineteenth day of August A. D. 1968  
punctually at 7:30 P.M. to act on the following articles, viz:

**ARTICLE 1.** To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of  
\$960.00 from the Public Assistance Administration Account to the  
Henry P. Clough School Expense Account.

**ARTICLE 2.** To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum  
of \$3,500.00 from Available Funds in the Treasury to the Aid to  
Veterans Account, and to transfer the sum of \$3,000.00 from the  
Public Assistance Account to the Aid to Veterans Account.



**ARTICLE 3.** To see if the Town will vote to accept the changes recommended by the Planning Board for sections 1, 2, 3, 5, 7, 8, and 9 of the present zoning regulations or take any action in relation thereto.

**ARTICLE 4.** To see if the Town will vote to amend the Mendon-Upton Regional School District agreement as follows:

**AGREEMENT WILL BE FOUND ON THE NEXT PAGE**

**ARTICLE 5.** To see if the Town will vote to amend Section 2 of the Regional School District Agreement between the Towns of Mendon and Upton dated May 13, 1958 regarding location of District School or Schools to read: Any regional School constructed for the purpose of accommodating pupils from both member towns shall be located within a radius of six miles from the junction of Mendon Street in Upton and North Avenue in Mendon.

**ARTICLE 6.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,000.00 for the purpose of preparing and publishing a valuation book covering valuations of all Real and Personal Estates in the Town. The same to be expended under the jurisdiction of the Board of Assessors, copies thereof to be issued to the public at a cost of not less than fifty (\$.50) for each book, or take any action in relation thereto.

And you are directed to serve this Warrant by posting an attested copy in three or more public places in the Town of Mendon at least seven days before said meeting; one copy thereof shall be posted on the Town Hall Building.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk of said town before the time of meeting aforesaid. Given under our hands at Mendon this 10th day of August A. D. 1968.

E. Theodore Giatas  
Arthur Wiersma  
James H. Grant  
SELECTMEN OF MENDON

A true copy, attest:  
Paul R. Tyler, Constable of Mendon  
Warrant received August 12, 1968.

Pursuant to the foregoing warrant 102 qualified voters of the Town of Mendon met at the Town Hall the nineteenth day of August, 1968 to act on the articles of the Warrant. George Larson, was the Police officer for the meeting. Mr. Jerry Grosman, Photographer for the Telegram and Gazette, the Town Counsel, Mr. Jacob Oppewal, Joseph and Harry Rosenfeld, Eugene Tougas, and Mr. Straub were allowed to sit in at the meeting. The meeting was opened at 7:30 P.M. by Moderator Gideon Halsing who carried out the business of the meeting.

**ARTICLE 1.** Voted that the Town transfer the sum of \$960.00 from the Public Assistance Administration Account to the Henry P. Clough School Expense Account. Written motion.

**ARTICLE 2.** Voted that the Town appropriate the sum of \$3,500.00 from Available Funds in the Treasury to the Aid to Veterans Account, and to transfer the sum of \$3,000.00 from the Public Assistance Account to the Aid to Veterans Account.

**ARTICLE 3.** Motion made to pass over article by Dr. DePaolo, Vote defeated. Questions were answered by Mr. Gordon Good of the Planning Board; and questions were given by Mr. David Allen who asked that the changes be read. Mr. David Hamilton, Chairman of the Planning Board was late in arriving and explained changes in planning for the Town and it was recommended that the Chairman of the Planning Board read each change. Motion made to postpone reading of changes. This motion was defeated and the reading of the changes was read by Mr. Hamilton. It was suggested that a corrected copy of the changes be given to the Town Clerk so that the corrected copy could be sent to the Attorney General. Motion defeated. Written motion made by John Hogarth to accept the Zoning By-laws and additions as proposed by the Planning Board. After an hours discussion on the motion, it was so voted as in the written motion. Yes 56 – No 24. The complete list of changes will be found on page

**ARTICLE 4.** Voted that the Town amend the Mendon-Upton Regional School District agreement as follows:

The agreement will be found beginning on page

Discussion followed the motion. By hand vote the motion was carried Yes 56 – No 19.

**ARTICLE 5.** Voted that the Town amend Section 2 of the Regional School District agreement between the towns of Mendon and Upton dated May 13, 1958 regarding location of District School or Schools to read:

Any Regional School constructed for the purpose of accommodating pupils from both member towns shall be located within a radius of six (6) miles from the junction of Mendon Street in Upton and North Avenue in Mendon. Hand vote Yes 59 – No 12.

**ARTICLE 6.** Voted that the sum of \$1,000.00 be appropriated from available funds in the Treasury for the purpose of preparing and publishing a valuation book covering valuations of all Real and Personal Estates in the Town; the same to be expended under the jurisdiction of the Board of Assessors, copies thereof to be issued to the public at a cost of not less than fifty cents (.50) for each book. Hand vote Yes 60 – No 5.

Meeting dissolved at 10:25 P.M.

Emily L. Coleman,  
Town Clerk

Zoning By-Law Revisions & Additions

Adopted by the Town of Mendon at a Special Town Meeting August 19th, and passed by a two/third vote of those voting.

Purpose: For the purpose of promoting health, safety, convenience, morals and welfare of its inhabitants, the Town of Mendon hereby restricts and regulates the use and occupancy of land and to accomplish all other objects of zoning as hereinafter provided in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 40A of the General Laws and Amendments thereto.

Section I – Establishment of Districts

- Residence District – as defined in Sec II Item I  
and described in Sec. V. Item 2
- Business District – as defined in Sec. II Item 2  
and described in Sec. X Item 1



Section II – Definitions: Wherever referred to in these By-Laws the terms listed below are defined as follows.

Item 1.      Residence District. All land presently being used as, and all remaining land area, within the boundaries of the Town of Mendon, shall be designated as a residence district.

A.      A residence district shall be comprised of buildings and structures, located on premises in compliance with regulations as stated in Sec. V. Item 2, and may be used for the following purposes.

(1) A single or two family dwelling containing one or two housekeeping units only, together with accessory buildings not containing a housekeeping unit, including a garage for not more than three automobiles.

(2) Church or other religious purpose.

(3) Educational purpose.

(4) Public purpose including municipal purpose.

(5) Customary home occupations.

(6) Private club not containing more than five sleeping rooms.

(7) The office or studio of a physician, surgeon, dentist, architect, teacher, artist, musician, engineer, lawyer or member of any recognized profession, or real estate broker, provided that such office or studio is situated within such person's dwelling and not more than three persons are regularly engaged in the activity.

(8) A day nursery or day camp.

(9) Cemetery.

B.      No building, structure or premises in whole or in part shall be used for any purpose other than those above specified in Section II Item 1.

The Board of Appeals established under Section 14 Chapter 40A of the General Laws may in appropriate cases and subject to appropriate conditions and safeguards, grant to an applicant a special permit to make use of his land or to erect and maintain buildings or other structures thereon



in accordance with such exception. Before granting, a public hearing must be held, and notice given in accordance with Sec. 17, Chapter 40A of the General Laws.

Item 2. Business District.

A. Allowable Uses.

In a business district, except as provided in Subsection B of this section, no building or structure or alteration, enlargement or extension thereof, and no land shall be used except for one or more of the following purposes.

(1) Any use permitted in a residential district or any use approved by the Board of Appeals under Section II Subsection B. provided that no living accommodations shall be permitted in a building designed or used for any non residential purpose except as expressly authorized or permitted under Section X.

(2) Post office, bank, or municipal building.

(3) Place of business or hairdresser, manicurist or barber.

(4) Vending or other coin-operated machines located out-of-doors, as are proper and usual with the preceding uses which are not offensive, injurious or detrimental to neighboring premises in the same or adjoining districts.

B. Permissive Uses.

The Board of Appeals may grant permission in accordance with the procedures of Section X, for the construction, alteration, enlargement, extension or reconstruction of buildings or structures, or for the use of building, structures, or land for business or industrial purposes.

(Renumber Items 1-2-3 to numbers 3-4-5.)

Item 6. Multiunit Dwelling.

Any structure or building used in whole or in part to contain three or more housekeeping units.

(Remaining items to be renumbered to conform.)

- Item 10.     Trailer Park. (to be changed to read)  
The existence of more than one trailer at a given time on a lot.

Section III – Prohibitive Uses.  
(to be added as –f–)  
Outdoor parking of, or storing more than two unregistered vehicles in a residence district is prohibited.

Section V – Lot, Yard and Coverage Regulations

- Item 1.     (to be changed to read as follows)  
A plot plan, on forms provided, drawn to a prescribed scale, and requested information completed, shall be submitted to the Planning Board for their approval, in order to obtain a permit to build a new structure, or an addition to a present structure.

- Item 2.     (to be changed to read as follows)  
No lot shall be used or occupied and no structure shall hereafter be erected, altered, moved, used or occupied unless it complies with the provisions of the Zoning By-Law and complies as a minimum requirement to the following:

a. Area in square feet	40,000
b. Frontage distance in feet	150
c. Distance from center of street to front of structure in feet	60
d. Distance between lot lines and structure in feet	20
e. Distance between lot lines and detached accessory one-story buildings and garages in feet	15
f. Minimum width of lot at location of leaching area in feet	75

- Item 2     (to be numbered Item 3)

Item 4. (to be added)

A permit to build a single or two family dwelling on land already recorded, meeting lot size requirements, but having non-conforming frontage, shall be granted, providing a minimum of 25 feet frontage on a public way is available, as access to such land.

#### Section VII – Regulations for cesspools, septic tanks, vault privies and public sewers.

Item 1. (to be changed to read as follows)

A sewer permit will be granted by the Board of Health, only when the board is presented with a recommended septic system, determined by percolation tests, taken by an authorized civil engineer.

Item 1. (to be numbered 2)

Item 2. (to be numbered 3)

Item 3. (to be numbered 4)

Item 5. A permit to build will be issued only when an adequate water supply is assured, to provide for the occupancy of the proposed structure.

Item 4. (to be numbered 6)

(Remaining items in this section to be renumbered to conform.)

#### Section VIII – Administration

Item 1. Enforcement (include as is)

Item 2. Penalty – Any person violating the provision of this By-Law shall be fined not more than twenty dollars for each offense. Each day that such violation continues shall constitute a separate offense.

(Item 2 of Section VIII to be changed to Section IX)

(Remaining Items to be included under Section VIII)



## Section IX — Board of Appeals.

- Item 1. There shall be a Board of Appeals of three members as approved in Chapter 40 A of the General Laws, as amended, which shall act on all matters as prescribed in Chapter 40 A. of the General Laws and as indicated below. The members shall be appointed by the Board of Selectmen for a term of three years provided that only one term shall expire each year. Where a permit or authorization by the Board of Appeals is required under this by-law, the Board of Selectmen shall withhold the Zoning Permit until written approval of the Board of Appeals is received.
- Item 2. The Board of Appeals may grant special permits for exceptional uses in instances provided for in Sec II Items 1 & 2. No special permit shall be granted by the Board unless it determines, in addition to factors specified in Section II to be determined by it, that the proposed use will not be injurious, obnoxious, offensive, dangerous, or a nuisance to the community or to the neighborhood through noise, vibration concussion, odors, fumes, smoke, gases, dust, harmful fluids or substances, danger of fire or explosion, or other objectionable feature detrimental to the community or neighborhood health, safety, convenience, morals or welfare. In granting any special permit, the Board may impose reasonable safeguards, conditions and limitations and may require reasonable security for their observance, including the giving of a bond to insure performance by the holder of the permit.
- Item 3. The Board of Appeals shall hold public hearings as may be necessary to carry out the purpose of this by-law as provided in Sec. 17 of Chapter 40A of the General Laws.
- a. Any person aggrieved by the refusal of the Board of Selectmen to issue a Zoning Permit under the provision of this by-law may appeal in writing to the Board of Appeals.



- b. The Board of Appeals shall hear and decide requests for special permits as provided in sections of this by-law.
- c. The Board of Appeals shall hear and decide requests for variance from the terms of this by-law where literal enforcement would involve substantial hardship because of conditions unique to the building or land in question.
- d. The Board of Appeals shall give due consideration to promoting the public health, safety, convenience and welfare concerning property values and encouraging the most appropriate use of land and may impose appropriate restrictions where necessary to carry out the intent and purpose of the Zoning By-Law.

Item 4. The Board of Appeals will consider an application for a multi-unit dwelling as a business enterprise.

#### Section X – Provisions for Applying for Rezoning for a Business District.

Item 1. Size of Lots and Location of Buildings in Business District.

In a business district, each lot used in part or in whole for business shall have a minimum frontage on the street of one hundred feet and a minimum depth from the street sideline of one hundred and fifty feet. No building shall cover an area in excess of one third of the total area of the lot. No building or structure shall be situated in business districts less than fifteen feet from the district boundary abutting a residence district and less than sixty feet from the street center line. No dwelling solely for residence purposes shall be erected on a lot in a business district unless the dwelling and lot conform to the requirements set forth in the table of Section V Item 2.

Item 2. Site Plan Approval

With each application for permission of the Board of Appeals under Section II Item 2-B of this by-law there shall be submitted to said Board a site plan of the proposed use prepared by a registered professional engineer, architect or

landscape architect. Such site plan shall show among other things all existing and proposed buildings, structures, parking spaces, driveway openings, driveways, service areas, and other open uses, all facilities for sewage, refuse and other waste disposal and for surface water drainage and landscape features such as fences, planting areas and walks on the lot. Six copies of the site plan shall be filed with the Board of Appeals, three of which shall be forwarded to the Planning Board for its review and recommendations. In reviewing a site plan, the Planning Board and Board of Appeals shall consider among other things the following.

- a. Compliance with the requirements for parking, lot size, frontage, yards and heights and coverage of buildings, and all other provisions of this By-law;
- b. Convenience and safety of vehicular and pedestrian movement within the site and in relation to adjacent streets, properties or improvements.
- c. Adequacy of arrangement and the number of parking and loading spaces in relation to the proposed uses of the premises;
- d. Provision for off-street loading and unloading of vehicles incidental to the servicing of the buildings and related uses on the lot or tract;
- e. Arrangement and appearances of proposed buildings, structures, signs, screening and landscaping;
- f. Adequacy of methods for waste disposal, surface and subsurface drainage and lighting;
- g. Protection of adjoining premises and the general neighborhood from any detrimental use of the lot or tract.

The Planning Board shall make its report and recommendations on the site plan in writing to the Board of Appeals within thirty (30) days after the hearing before the Board of Appeals, and if it should fail to do so, the Board of Appeals may act without such report and recommendations.

### Item 3. Harmony

For the purpose of promoting and preserving harmony in architectural treatment and avoidance of incongruous or

inappropriate character of architectural appearance and arrangement of building detrimental to the property values of adjoining owners or the community no building permit shall be issued for any new building or structure, or for any addition or alteration to the exterior of any existing structure in a business district until plans showing proposed location and exterior appearance shall have been submitted to the Board of Selectmen for review, comment and suggestions, with the advice of the Planning Board, and the Board of Selectmen shall have made such comment and suggestions or allowed three (3) weeks to elapse after such submission without action.

Item 4. Appeal — As provided for in Sec. 21 Chapter 40A, of the General Laws.

Any person aggrieved by a decision of the Board of Appeals, whether or not previously a party to the proceeding, or any municipal officer or board, may appeal to the superior court for the county in which the land concerned is situated, by filing a bill in equity within twenty days after the decision has been filed in the office of the city or town clerk.

Item 5. Intent

It is not the intent or object of this by-law, to discourage, deter or hinder, in any way, a person or persons, who desire to locate in Mendon, for commercial or industrial enterprises. Applications made for such purposes, under the provisions of this by-law will be given maximum cooperation by the Administrative officials involved and the residents of the Town of Mendon.

A true copy, attest:  
Emily L. Coleman  
Town Clerk



# THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Department of the Attorney General

State House

Boston 02133

December 9, 1968

Miss Emily L. Coleman  
Town Clerk  
Mendon  
Massachusetts

Dear Miss Coleman:

I regret that it is necessary to return the amendments to zoning by-laws adopted under article 3 of the warrant at the special town meeting held August 19, 1968, with the disapproval of the Attorney General endorsed thereon.

These amendments are disapproved for the reason that the published notice of hearing before the planning board did not describe the subject matter sufficiently for identification, as required by the Zoning Enabling Act (Chapter 40A, Section 6). The notice as published reads as follows, in full: "The Mendon Planning Board will hold a public hearing on Tuesday, August 13 at 8 PM in town hall for the purpose of presenting the proposed new revisions and amendments to the town zoning by-laws. Town of Mendon Planning Board". There follow the names of the members of the Board and the dates of publication. Merely to say that amendments to the zoning by-laws are amendments to the zoning by-laws does not identify the nature of the proposed amendments.

I have not discussed the validity of the contents of the amendments adopted since they cannot be approved in any event because of the faulty notice. I would suggest, however, that if similar amendments are submitted to a future town meeting, that town counsel be consulted in the drafting of the amendments and in connection with the procedure to be followed.

Very truly yours,  
Carter Lee  
Assistant Attorney General



**PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE AGREEMENT FOR THE  
ESTABLISHMENT OF THE MENDON-UPTON  
REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT**

The agreement for the establishment of the Mendon-Upton Regional School District is hereby amended as follows:

1. Section I is hereby amended by adding after subsection I (H) the following subsection:
  - I. Notwithstanding any provisions to the contrary contained in subsections I(A) to I(D), on and after the annual town elections of the member towns held in 1969, the Committee shall consist of six members, three from each member town, all of whom shall be elected. Two of the three elected members shall continue to be elected as provided in subsection I (D). At the annual town elections in 1969, and at the annual town elections held every third year thereafter, each member town shall elect a third member to serve on the Committee for a term of three years.
2. By striking out Section II and inserting in place thereof the following section:

**SECTION II – LOCATION OF REGIONAL SCHOOLS**

- (A) Any regional school constructed for the purpose of accommodating pupils from both member towns shall be located within a radius of six miles from the junction of Mendon Street in Upton and North Avenue in Mendon. Any school constructed for the purpose of accommodating pupils primarily from a particular member town shall be located in the town accommodating such pupils.
- (B) The town of Mendon is hereby authorized to lease to the regional school district all the premises and buildings presently known as the Henry P. Clough School. The town of Upton is hereby authorized to lease to the regional school district all the premises and buildings presently known as (1) the Upton Memorial School and (2) the George S. Ball School. Each of the leases authorized above shall be for a term of twenty years and

the term shall commence on the date when the Committee assumes jurisdiction over the pupils in kindergarten through grade six. Each of the leases shall contain a provision for the extension of the term thereof for an additional term not in excess of twenty years, renewable at any time during the term, at the option of the Committee. Each of the leases shall contain provisions authorizing the regional school district to insure, repair, improve, alter or remodel any of the leased buildings. No rental shall be charged to the District by any of the member towns. Each lease involving a member town shall be on such other terms as may be determined by the selectmen thereof and the Committee, who shall execute the lease for the member town and the regional school district, respectively.

3. By striking out subsection III (A) and inserting in place thereof the following subsection:

(A) The regional school district shall comprise all grades from kindergarten through grade twelve. The Committee shall assume jurisdiction over the pupils in kindergarten through grade six on January 1, 1969. Nothing contained herein shall affect the obligation of the member towns to provide education for the pupils in the member towns attending all the grades from kindergarten through grade six prior to January 1, 1969.

4. By striking out subsection IV (D) and inserting in place thereof the following subsection:

(D) Debt service on bonds or notes issued by the District to finance construction costs of a district school shall be apportioned to the nearest hundredth of one per cent on the basis of each member town's pupil enrollment in such school. Each member town's share shall be determined by computing the ratio which its pupil enrollment in such school on October 1 of the year next preceding the year for which the apportionment is made bears to the pupil enrollment from all the member towns in such school on that date. If there is no enrollment in such school on the aforesaid October 1, the apportionment of debt service with respect thereto shall be made on the basis of the estimated pupil enrollment in such school on

the aforesaid date had there been any enrollment, such estimate to be made by the Committee.

5. By striking out subsection IV (E) and inserting in place thereof the following subsection:

(E) Operating costs for the calendar year 1970 and for every calendar year thereafter shall be apportioned to the member towns on the basis of their respective pupil enrollments in the regional district schools, including the schools referred to in subsection II (B). Each member town's share shall be determined by computing to the nearest one hundredth of one per cent the ratio which that town's pupil enrollment in the regional district schools on October 1 of the year next preceding the year for which the apportionment is determined bears to the total pupil enrollment from all the member towns in the regional district schools on the same date. If there is no enrollment in the aforesaid schools on such date, operating costs shall be apportioned on the basis of enrollment in all the grades from kindergarten through grade twelve of pupils residing in each member town and receiving education at such town's expense on such date. For the calendar year 1969, operating costs shall be apportioned to the member towns on the basis of enrollment in all the grades from kindergarten through grade twelve of pupils residing in each member town and receiving education at such town's expense on October 1, 1968.

6. By adding at the end of Section XII the following paragraph:

Any teacher in any of the grades from kindergarten through grade six serving at the discretion of the local school committee of a member town on December 31, 1968, shall be employed by the regional district school committee to serve at its discretion. Any teacher in any of the grades from kindergarten through grade six not serving at the discretion of the local school committee of a member town on December 31, 1968, shall be employed by the Committee to serve at least for the balance of the 1968–1969 school year.



## TOWN WARRANT

### Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Worcester, ss.

To the Constable of the Town of Mendon in the County of  
Worcester: Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are directed to notify the inhabitants of the Town of Mendon qualified to vote in elections and in Town affairs to meet at the Town Hall in said Mendon on Friday the thirteenth day of September A.D. 1968 punctually at 7:30 o'clock P.M. to act on the following articles, viz:

**ARTICLE 1.** To see if the Town will vote to approve or disapprove the amount of debt (\$500,000.00) authorized on August 15, 1968 by the Blackstone Valley Vocational Regional District School Committee for the purpose of financing the construction and equipping of an addition to the regional vocational school and other costs incidental thereto and connected therewith.

And you are directed to serve this Warrant by posting an attested copy in three or more public places in the Town of Mendon at least seven days before said meeting: one copy thereof shall be posted on the Town Hall building.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk of said town before the time of meeting aforesaid.

Given under our hands at Mendon this fifth day of September A.D. 1968.

E. Theodore Giatas  
Arthur Wiersma  
James H. Grant  
SELECTMEN OF MENDON

A true copy, attest:  
Harold C. Barrows, Jr.  
Constable of Mendon



Sept. 6, 1968

The foregoing warrant was served as required by law.

Harold C. Barrows, Jr.  
Constable of Mendon

Pursuant to the foregoing Warrant the meeting was called to order at 7:30 P.M. by Moderator Gideon Halsing. Twenty-three voters, two visitors and the Chief of Police were present. Mr. Paul Sullivan Superintendent of the Vocational School and Mr. Napier Scribner were given permission to sit in at the meeting.

**ARTICLE 1.** Written motion given by Mr. Sweeney on this article. Seconded, and discussion and remarks with questions were made by Kenneth Taylor, Selectmen Wiersma and Giatas. Joseph Taylor of the Finance Committee reported on the article. Mr. Sweeney answered questions regarding the same. Voted that the Town approve the amount of debt (\$500,000) authorized on August 15, 1968 by the Blackstone Valley Vocational Regional District School Committee for the purpose of financing the construction and equipping of an addition to the regional vocational School and other costs incidental thereto and connected therewith. Yes 21, No 1

Motion made, seconded and vote passed that the meeting be dissolved at 8:47 P.M.

A true copy, attest:  
Emily L. Coleman  
Town Clerk

**TOWN WARRANT**  
**COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS**  
**STATE PRIMARIES**

Worcester, ss.

To the Constable of the Town of Mendon in the County of Worcester,

Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said town who are qualified to vote in Primaries to meet in the Town Hall, Tuesday the Seventeenth day of September, 1968 at 2:00 P.M. o'clock for the following purposes:

To bring in their votes to the Primary Officers for the Nomination of Candidates of Political Parties for the following offices:

Representative in Congress	4th Cong. District
Councillor	7th District
Senator	4th Worcester
Representatives in General Court	8th Worcester
County Commissioners	Worcester County
Sheriff	Worcester County

The polls will be open from 2:00 P.M. to 8:00 P.M.

Hereof fail not and make return of this warrant with your doings thereon at the time and place of said meeting.

Given under our hands this ninth day of September, A. D. 1968.

E. Theodore Giatas  
Arthur Wiersma  
James H. Grant  
SELECTMEN OF MENDON

A true copy, attest:  
Paul R. Tyler  
Constable

Sept. 10, 1968

Pursuant to the foregoing Warrant, the polls were declared open at 9:00 A.M. The empty ballot box was shown to the audience before the voting began. Harry Wiersma was the officer on duty for the Primaries.

The following Election Officers appeared and were duly qualified.

Elgar Bartlett  
Blanche Lamothe  
Shirley Barnes  
Stella Savicki  
Viola Magliocca  
Melba Armour  
Eileen Johnson  
Anna Mae Wood

Democratic Ballots were received from Secretary of State.  
Republican Ballots were received from Secretary of State.

The Polls were closed at 8:00 P.M. by the Warden, Anna Mae Wood with the ballot box showing 114 ballots having been cast: 57 Democratic ballots, 57 Republican Ballots.

The results were announced at 10:05 P.M. as follows:

DEMOCRATIC PARTY

For Congressman

Harold D. Donohue	35
Blanks	22
Joseph C. Casdin	21
Blanks	36

For Councillor

Walter F. Kelly	43
Blanks	14

For Senator

James A. Kelly Jr.	44
Blanks	13

### For Representatives in General Court

Frederick Leo Kenney	44
Blanks	13
Teddy H. Arakelian	8
Blanks	49
Anna G. Callahan	18
Blanks	39
Thomas E. Creighton	31
Blanks	26

### For County Commissioners

Joseph A. Aspero	43
Blanks	14
Paul X. Tivnan	26
Blanks	31
John A. DiPilato	27
Blanks	30

### For Sheriff

Joseph A. Smith	36
Blanks	21
Albert P. DeAngelis	18
Blanks	19

## REPUBLICAN PARTY

### For Congressman

Howard A. Miller, Jr.	55
Blanks	2

### For Councillor

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### For Senator

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For Representatives in General Court

Edward M. Driscoll	55
Blanks	2
Merton A. Mowry	46
Blanks	11

For County Commissioners

Israel Weisman	41
Blanks	16

For Sheriff

John V. Grady	5
Blanks	52

Hourly voting proceeded as follows:

2 P.M. to 3 P.M.	26	26 votes
3 P.M. to 4 P.M.	39	13 votes
4 P.M. to 5 P.M.	60	21 votes
5 P.M. to 6 P.M.	80	20 votes
6 P.M. to 7 P.M.	94	14 votes
7 P.M. to 8 P.M.	114	20 votes

114 votes cast.

Meeting adjourned at 10:15 P.M.

Emily L. Coleman  
Town Clerk

# TOWN WARRANT

## Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Worcester, ss.

To the Constable of the Town of Mendon in the County of Worcester,

Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are directed to notify the inhabitants of the Town of Mendon qualified to vote in elections and in town affairs to meet at the Town Hall in said Mendon on Monday the 28th day of October, A.D. 1968 punctually at 7:30 o'clock P. M. to act on the following articles, viz:

**ARTICLE 1.** To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of \$2,100.00 from the Public Assistance Account to the Police Department Salaries and Wages Account.

**ARTICLE 2.** To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of \$500.00 from the Public Assistance Account to the Fire Department Salaries and Wages Account.

**ARTICLE 3.** To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of \$1,000.00 from the Public Assistance Account to the Road Machinery Account.

**ARTICLE 4.** To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of \$500.00 from the Public Assistance Account to the Interest on Temporary Loans Account.

**ARTICLE 5.** To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of \$150.00 from the Record Room Expense Account to the Record Room Salaries and Wages Account.

**ARTICLE 6.** To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of \$200.00 from the Fire Department Equipment Account to the Fire Department Expense Account.

**ARTICLE 7.** To see if the Town will vote to have eight street lights installed at the intersection of the following streets or take any action in relation thereto:

Providence St. and Hartford Ave. East  
Providence St. and Cemetery Road  
Uxbridge Road and Taft Ave.  
Millville Road and Taft Ave.  
Northbridge Street and North Ave.  
Bellingham Road and Hartford Ave. East  
Bellingham Road and Bates St.  
Bates St. and Cape Road

And you are directed to serve this Warrant by posting an attested copy in three or more public places in the Town of Mendon at least seven days before said meeting: one copy thereof shall be posted on the Town Hall Building.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk of said town before the time of meeting aforesaid.

Given under our hands at Mendon, this 14th day of October, A. D. 1968.

E. Theodore Giatas  
Arthur Wiersma  
James H. Grant  
SELECTMEN OF MENDON

A true copy, attest:  
Harold C. Barrows, Jr.  
Constable of Mendon

Pursuant to the foregoing Warrant, the meeting was called to order at 7:30 P.M. by Moderator Gideon Halsing. One hundred twenty-five voters attended the meeting according to the names checked by Linwood E. Lowell and Leo Tetreault, tellers. Permission was granted to Mr. Napier Scribner, Richard Ferrucci, and Town Counsel Jacob Oppewal to attend the meeting. Mr. Noonan and Charles Ianne were admitted but not voted on.

Previous to the meeting an announcement on conduct of the meeting was made by the Moderator. An announcement by Chairman Giatas was made inviting people to remain after the meeting to ask questions. Mr. William Hazard was the officer on duty for the Special Town meeting.

**ARTICLE 1.** Mr. William Rondeau questioned the article. This was answered by the chairman of the Finance Committee. Voted that the sum of \$400.00 be transferred from the Public Assistance Account to the Police Department Salaries and Wages Account. Hand vote: Yes 53, No 2.

**ARTICLE 2.** Voted that the sum of \$500.00 be transferred from the Public Assistance Account to the Fire Department Salaries and Wages Account. Unanimous vote of 103.

**ARTICLE 3.** Voted that the sum of \$1,000.00 be transferred from the Public Assistance Account to the Road Machinery Account. Unanimous vote of 102.

**ARTICLE 4.** Voted that the sum of \$500.00 be transferred from the Public Assistance Account to the Interest on Temporary Loans Account. Unanimous vote.

**ARTICLE 5.** Voted that the sum of \$150.00 be transferred from the Record Room Expense Account to the Record Room Salaries and Wages Account. Voice Vote unanimous.

**ARTICLE 6.** Voted that the sum of \$200.00 be transferred from the Fire Department Equipment Account to the Fire Department Expense Account. Voice vote unanimous.

**ARTICLE 7.** Motion presented by Selectman Arthur Wiersma. Voted that Town have street lights installed at the intersection of the following streets:

Providence St. and Hartford Ave. E  
Providence St. and Cemetery St.  
Uxbridge St. and Taft Ave.  
Millville St. and Taft Ave.  
Northbridge St. and North Ave.  
Bellingham St. and Hartford Ave. E.  
Bellingham St. and Bates St.  
Bates St. and Cape Road

Hand Vote: Yes 99, No 4

Meeting dissolved at 8:00 P.M.

Emily L. Coleman  
Town Clerk



## TOWN WARRANT

### COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

November 5, 1968

Worcester, ss.

To the Constable of the Town of Mendon in the County of Worcester,

Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are directed to notify the inhabitants of the Town of Mendon qualified to vote in elections and in town affairs to meet at the Town Hall in said Mendon on Tuesday the fifth day of November A.D. 1968 punctually at 9:00 o'clock A.M. to act on the following:

#### STATE ELECTION

Electors of President and Vice-president, Congressman, Councillor, Senator, Representatives in General Court, County Commissioners, and Sheriff, and the questions as stated on the following pages.

#### QUESTION NO. 1

##### PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION

Do you approve of the adoption of an amendment to the constitution summarized below, which was approved by the General Court in a joint session of the two branches held June 16, 1965, received 210 votes in the affirmative and 26 in the negative, and in a joint session of the two branches held May 10, 1967, received 220 votes in the affirmative and 9 in the negative?

YES

NO

#### SUMMARY

The proposed amendment of the Constitution increases from five days to ten days the period of time the Constitution gives the

Governor to act upon measures passed by the Legislature and submitted to him for approval. No other changes are made in the several Constitutional provisions relative to action by the Governor upon such measures.

QUESTION NO. 2  
PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION

Do you approve of the adoption of an amendment to the constitution summarized below, which was approved by the General Court in a joint session of the two branches held August 30, 1966, received 188 votes in the affirmative and 46 in the negative, and in a joint session of the two branches held May 10, 1967, received 174 votes in the affirmative and 78 in the negative?

YES

NO

SUMMARY

The proposed amendment of the Constitution authorizes the Legislature to impose an income tax graduated according to total income, and authorizes the granting of reasonable exemptions, deductions and abatements, as an alternative to the exercise of the Legislature's existing power to tax income under Article 44 of the Amendments to the Constitution. Without limiting the foregoing authorization, the proposed amendment permits any such tax to be imposed at a uniform percentage of an individual's federal income tax liability or at graduated rates applied to his total income taxable federally, and it permits reasonable variations of any federal provision. It requires that the graduated rates, exemptions, and deductions be set without regard to the kind of income being taxed.

QUESTION NO. 3  
PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION

Do you approve of the adoption of an amendment to the constitution summarized below, which was approved by the General Court in a joint session of the two branches held July 20, 1966,

received 225 votes in the affirmative and 1 in the negative, and in a joint session of the two branches held June 15, 1967, received 210 votes in the affirmative and 2 in the negative?

YES

NO

### SUMMARY

The proposed amendment of the Constitution defines the circumstances in which a Governor's inability to perform his functions shall cause his office to become vacant, and it establishes a procedure for making the necessary determinations. The office will become vacant following a declaration of disability by the Governor himself or by the Chief Justice and a majority of the Associate Justices of the Supreme Judicial Court, or such other body as the Legislature may provide. The vacancy will terminate four days after the Governor declares that no disability exists, unless (1) within that period the Chief Justice and majority of the Associate Justices, or such other body provided by the Legislature, should make a contrary declaration and (2) within another stated period the Legislature, by two-thirds of each branch present and voting, then determines the issue contrary to the Governor's declaration.

The same procedure will also apply to a Lieutenant Governor who in the case of a vacancy is performing the Governor's duties.

The proposed amendment also requires the election of a Governor for the unexpired balance of the four-year term if a vacancy in the office of Governor as described in the proposed amendment continues for a six-month period expiring more than five months prior to a biennial state election other than an election for Governor.

### QUESTION NO. 4 LAW PROPOSED BY INITIATIVE PETITION

Do you approve of a law summarized below, upon which the House of Representatives did not vote and upon which the Senate did not vote?

YES

NO



## SUMMARY

The proposed law provides that the official ballot in the biennial State election for the year 1970 shall contain a question asking the voters whether there shall be a convention in 1971 to (1) revise, alter or amend the constitution of the Commonwealth on the following subjects, insofar as they relate to the structure of government, and no others: the Executive Branch; the General Court; the Executive Council; the government of cities, towns and counties and their relationship to each other and to the government of the Commonwealth; (2) simplify and rearrange the constitution, and (3) provide methods of amendment thereof. The question will state that the convention shall not consider or propose any measure which relates to the Massachusetts Declaration of Rights, the provisions of the Massachusetts constitution concerning the "Judiciary Power" (other than provisions respecting the Executive Council), or any of the excluded matters enumerated in Article XLVIII, II, Section 2 of the Massachusetts constitution. The question will fix the number of delegates to the convention at 150, of whom 20 members shall be members of the General Court; the remaining 130 members shall be elected by the voters in the manner summarized below. The question will also state that the convention shall conclude its business not later than 120 days from its first session.

The proposed law provides that if a majority of the votes on the foregoing question is in the affirmative, the convention shall be held in July, 1971 to revise, alter or amend the constitution on the matters enumerated above only. The House of Representatives and the Senate shall each elect as delegates 10 of its members, not more than 6 from each branch coming from the same political party. Of the remaining 130 delegates, 10 shall be elected at large and 120 shall be elected from the 40 senatorial districts, 3 from each. Provision is made for the manner of nominating and electing these 130 delegates, without party or political designation, for filling vacancies occurring in the position of any delegate, from whatever source chosen, and for the conduct of the convention's business.

Any revisions, alterations and amendments of the Massachusetts constitution adopted by the Convention shall be submitted to the people at the State election in 1972 for their ratification and adoption in such manner as the convention may direct. If a majority of the people voting thereon ratify and adopt such revision, alteration or amendment, the constitution shall be deemed to be changed accordingly.



The proposed law also provides that if the vote on the question to be submitted at the biennial State election in 1970 is in the affirmative, the Governor shall appoint a preparatory commission of 5 members to compile data to aid the convention in the discharge of its duties. Each member of the commission shall receive compensation of \$10,000 and the commission may expend a sum not in excess of \$200,000, as the Governor may approve, for its expenses.

#### QUESTION NO. 5

A. Shall licenses be granted in this city (or town) for the sale therein of all alcoholic beverages (whiskey, rum, gin, malt beverages, wines and all other alcoholic beverages)?

YES

NO

B. Shall licenses be granted in this city (or town) for the sale therein of wines and malt beverages (wines and beer, ale and all other malt beverages)?

YES

NO

C. Shall Licenses be granted in this city (or town) for the sale therein of all alcoholic beverages in packages, so called, not to be drunk on the premises?

YES

NO

D. Shall licenses be granted in this city (or town) for the sale of all alcoholic beverages by hotels having a dining room capacity of not less than ninety-nine persons and lodging capacity of not less than fifty rooms?

YES

NO

QUESTION NO. 6

“Shall the commonwealth of Massachusetts retain capital punishment for crime?”

YES

NO

QUESTION NO. 7

“Shall an act passed by the General Court in the year nineteen hundred and sixty-eight, entitled ‘An Act authorizing the county commissioners of Worcester county to expend a certain sum of money annually for the purpose of advertising and promoting the recreational, cultural, historic and scenic advantages of said county’, be accepted?”

YES

NO

Polls will close at 8:00 P.M.

Given under our hands at Mendon this 22nd day of October  
A.D. 1968.

Arthur Wiersma  
E. Theodore Giatas  
James H. Grant  
SELECTMEN OF MENDON

A true copy, attest:  
Paul R. Tyler  
Constable

Mendon, Mass.  
Nov. 5, 1968

Pursuant to the foregoing Warrant, the polls were declared open at 9:00 A.M. after exposing the empty ballot box for inspection, and the assignment of the Election Officers to their respective posts. Anna Mae Wood served as Warden, and Michael Magliocca was the Officer on duty from 9:00 A. M. to 4:00 P.M. Robert Klein served as Police Officer from 4:00 P.M. to 12:00 P.M. and Joseph Bradley as Police Officer from 12:00 midnight to 3:00 A.M. the next day. Ballot clerks and tellers are listed as follows:

9:00 A.M. to 8:00 P.M.

Elgar Bartlett  
Blanche Lamothe  
David Lowell  
Judith Ober  
Gertrude Lavergne

8:00 P.M. to 1:30 A.M. — Nov. 6

Stella Savicki  
Melba Armour  
Beatrice Wood

8:00 P.M. to 3:00 A.M. — Nov. 6

Terry Tycks  
William D. Rondeau  
Donald Wheeler  
Helen Taylor  
Anita Pezzella  
Ralph Morin  
Shirley Steere Barnes  
Michael Magliocca  
Leo J. Lovely  
Charles Wood  
Thomas Hackenson

9:00 A.M. to 3:00 A.M. — Nov. 6

Eileen Johnson  
E. Jane Coleman  
Anna Mae Wood  
Emily L. Coleman  
All duly qualified

1468 State official ballots received  
 1124 ballots used  
 344 ballots unused  
 27 partial ballots received, 2 partial ballots used.  
 25 partial ballots unused.

The polls were closed at 8:00 P.M. Counting of the ballots began at 8:45 P.M. Results of the counting were announced by the Warden at 2:55 A.M. Nov. 6, 1968.

#### Electors for President and Vice President

	Blomen and Taylor	3
	Blanks	1123
	Humphrey and Muskie	479
	Blanks	647
	Nixon and Agnew	594
	Blanks	532
	Wallace and Griffin	46
	Blanks	1080
Congressman	Donahue	428
	Blanks	696
Congressman	Miller, Jr.	648
	Blanks	476
Councillor	Kelly	725
	Blanks	399
Senator	Kelly, Jr.	730
	Blanks	384
Representatives in General Court		
	Kenney	523
	Blanks	601
	Creighton	344
	Blanks	780
	Driscoll	661
	Blanks	
	Mowry	467
	Blanks	657



County Commissioners		Aspero	565
		Blanks	559
		Tivnan	461
		Blanks	663
		Weisman	592
		Blanks	532
Sheriff		Smith	725
		Blanks	399
Question 1		Yes	640
		Blanks	484
		No	241
		Blanks	883
Question 2		Yes	267
		Blanks	857
		No	635
		Blanks	489
Question 3		Yes	595
		Blanks	529
		No	232
		Blanks	892
Question 4		Yes	349
		Blanks	775
		No	343
		Blanks	781
Question 5	A	Yes	713
		Blanks	411
		No	232
		Blanks	892
	B	Yes	679
		Blanks	445
		No	209
		Blanks	915
	C	Yes	711
		Blanks	413
		No	179
		Blanks	945

	D	Yes	671
		Blanks	443
		No	199
		Blanks	925
Question 6		Yes	595
		Blanks	529
		No	293
		Blanks	831
Question 7		Yes	463
		Blanks	661
		No	391
		Blanks	733

## REPORT OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen  
and the Citizens of the Town of Mendon:

The following is a record of the Police Department and its activities for the year ending Dec. 31, 1968.

Complaints	510
Arrests	20
Summons Served by Mendon	
Police	74
Motor Vehicle Accidents	77
Over \$200 Damage	64
Under \$200 Damage	12
M.V. Accidents Involving	
Mendon Residents	28
M.V. Accidents Involving	
Non-Residents	48
Personal Injury From M.V.	46
Personal Injury (Other)	7

Motor Vehicle Citations	163
Warnings	139
Complaints	21
Arrests	3
B & E's Investigated	27
Cruiser Used as Ambulance	33
Aid to Disabled Motorists	38
Aid to Out-Of-Town P.D.	22
Transportation to Bank	15
Funeral Escort	6
Attempted Arson	1
Malicious Destruction	3
Commitment to State Hospital	2
Injury to Police Officer on Duty	1
Drownings Investigated	2
Stolen Cars Recovered	3
Juvenile Arrests	4
Hit and Run (Pedestrian)	1
Bomb Hoax (Regional School)	1
Licenses Suspended	26
Pistol Permits Issued	60
Firearms I.D. Cards Issued	202
Defective Equipment Tags	95
Parking Tickets	70

Regretfully the year has been marred by two drownings at Lake Nipmuc. However though fatal accidents have occurred within a short distance of our Town Line, we have been spared from fatal highway accidents in 1968.

I believe the reduction in serious accidents and the absence of a fatal highway accident is due in part to a stricter enforcement of motor vehicle laws by this department. I commend the Officers of this department for their conscientious efforts in policing our roads and highways, and for the many other areas of police work that sometimes goes unnoticed.

We extend our appreciation to the following individuals for their assistance in the year 1968: Chief Linwood Lowell and the Fire Department for his aid at many accidents.

To Policewoman, Mrs. Mary Ames for the many hours given to the Town of Mendon for little or no pay.

The crash of an Air Force plane in May that had lost an engine and prop in this town required the use of several Police Officers, the Fire Department and became perhaps the most unusual incident of the year.

Police Memorial Sunday was observed and flowers placed on the graves of departed Police Officers. Once again a Christmas Party at the Henry P. Clough School sponsored by the Police Association was enjoyed by children and Officers alike.

Another highlight of the year was the appointment of Michael J. Magliocca as the first full-time Police Sergeant in the Town of Mendon.

The issuing of Firearms Identification Cards and Pistol Permits took many extra manhours to provide the necessary service to residents. We still look forward to the initiation of full time 24 hour police coverage of the Town of Mendon. Definite strides have been made in this direction and hopefully the year 1969 will see this necessary protection provided.

Every month training sessions are held, both for Reserve and Auxiliary Patrolmen and up to date police procedures are explained; usually with the use of visual aids. Hopefully, a regular police patrol of Lake Nipmuc can become part of future plans to insure a safer recreation area for both residents and non-residents.

In conclusion, I wish to express my gratitude to the Board of Selectmen, to the various departments of the town and to the wonderful citizens of the Town of Mendon for their splendid cooperation with this department through-out the year 1968.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kelsie E. Townsend,  
Chief of Police



## REPORT OF THE WIRING INSPECTOR

Number of Inspections	51
Collected and Paid to	
Town Treasurer	\$351.00

Walter J. Channing  
Inspector of Wiring

## REPORT OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

During 1968 the Fire and Forest Fire Departments answered a total of 135 calls as follows:

Automobile	6
Resuscitator	6
Chimney Fires	1
Flooded Oil Burners	2
Building	3
Bomb Scares	1
Smoke Scares	2
Drownings	2
Out-of-Town Calls	7
Forest, Brush and Grass Fires	21
Rubbish	6
Cellars pumped	63
Miscellaneous	14

The annual Fourth of July Celebration was held again this year. The new fire alarm system has been installed by the R. B. Allen Co.

A total of 1001 permits to burn were issued. Permits are required by law for all open fires. Incinerators do not require a permit but must be covered. Permits for open air fires are not issued after 12 Noon on Sundays.

Respectfully submitted  
Linwood E. Lowell  
Fire Chief & Forest Warden

## REPORT OF THE PLUMBING INSPECTOR

During the year 1968 there were 37 Plumbing Permits issued. A total of \$255.00 was collected and turned over to the Town Treasurer.

Robert J. Rossetti  
Plumbing Inspector

## REPORT OF THE DOG OFFICER

I hereby submit to you the following report for the year 1968.

Dogs Boarded	61
Complaints received and investigated	28
Dogs turned over to Harvard Research	32
Dogs destroyed	29
Dogs killed by autos	11
Dogs reported missing	9
Dog bites reported	3
Dogs returned to owners	9
Notices sent out for failing to pay dog tax	139

Dog Licenses are due and payable on or before March 31, 1969. Failure to do so, after duly notified, the delinquent owner of a dog can be summoned into court and fined the sum of \$15.00, according to law.

All dogs, according to law, must be collared and tagged. Any dog found without same can be picked up by the Dog Officer as a stray dog and be taken to the pound.

Respectfully submitted,

James S. Ferrucci  
Dog Officer

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF WATER COMMISSIONERS

Following is the Financial Report of the East Mendon Water System for the year 1968:

Appropriation for Maintenance	\$2,000.00
Appropriation for Water Notes	1,000.00
Appropriation for Interest on Notes	<u>33.75</u>
	\$3,033.75

Expended:		
Water Service	\$1,630.98	
Repairs	25.04	
Postage & Forms	21.50	
Meter Reading	30.00	
Water Note	1,000.00	
Interest on Note	<u>33.75</u>	
Total Expended	\$2,741.27	
Unexpended	<u>292.48</u>	
		\$3,033.75

Water Collections

Uncollected January 1, 1968	256.04	
Water Commitments	<u>2,271.92</u>	
		2,527.96
Collected 1968		<u>2,329.18</u>
Uncollected December 31, 1968		198.78

Respectfully submitted,  
  
Donato F. Leone  
Carlton L. Goss  
James S. Ferrucci  
WATER COMMISSIONERS

## REPORT OF THE PLANNING BOARD

To the Citizens of Mendon

### Activities Report:

During the year the Planning Board approved and signed a total of 42 plot plans and tracings to validate permits for new buildings, additions and accessory buildings and land transfer tracings to be recorded at the registry of deeds.

During the past year the Board prepared a complete revision of our present zoning by-laws which was presented at two hearings and to the voters at a special Town meeting on August 19, 1968 which was carried by a 2/3rds majority of the towns people present.

Due to a technical error in identifying the contents of these revisions adequately for identification, in the required public notices, they were disapproved by the Attorney General's office.

These amendments and revisions are going to be readvertised in the immediate future, in accordance with the requirements of Chapter 40 A Section 6 of the General Laws.

The Board, with the cooperation of the Selectmen, plans to present them once more to the towns people at another special town meeting to be held as soon as it is feasible for all concerned.

The Board wishes to thank the Board of Selectmen, the Board of Health, the Water Commissioners, the Highway Surveyor and the Town Clerk and all other town officials who have so willingly assisted them in expediting this matter which has become so important to the future of the Town of Mendon.

Respectfully submitted,

David F. Hamilton  
Gordon R. Good  
Norman I. Rogers  
Donald A. Wheeler  
Eldon H. Barrows



## REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE TAFT PUBLIC LIBRARY

The trustees of the Taft Public Library submit the annual report of the Library for the year ending December 31, 1968.

We were saddened this year by the death of Mrs. Vestella Daniels who retired in June 1967 after serving as Librarian since 1945. The Town of Mendon was most fortunate in having as Librarian a person who was so devoted in maintaining the quality and service of the Library to its patrons over so many years. A memorial to Mrs. Daniels will be placed in the Library during the coming year.

The old heating system was replaced during the summer by the Hopedale Coal and Ice Co. and is a vast improvement over our former antiquated heating system. Other improvements needed for the Library are more bookshelves, refinishing of entire floor, replacing front steps, replacing wiring in basement, installing outlets on first floor and an outside meter.

Our sharing of the basement room with the Civilian Defense Unit and others has not proved to be satisfactory at times.

During the past year we have been most fortunate to have as our custodian, Antonio J. Chiccarelli. He deserves unlimited praise for his excellent service to the Library and we certainly hope he will remain with us for many years to come.

Harris E. Loring Jr. resigned as Chairman of the Board of Trustees in July 1968 and was replaced by Richard L. Childs.

Our ever present problem of overdue books at the Library is far from being solved, due to lack of cooperation on the part of some of our patrons. Perhaps we should resort to the Library rules published in 1891..."No person shall have privileges while in arrears for any injuries, fines, or losses. All books shall be returned to the Library on or before the first Saturday of February, for examination, under penalty of 50 cents for each book not returned. Any person violating these rules may be debarred by the Trustees temporarily or permanently from use of Library."

The Trustees wish to express their appreciation to Mrs. Rhodes, Librarian and her assistants for providing continued service of the Library to the community.

Respectfully submitted,  
Richard L. Childs, Chairman  
Henry P. Clough  
E. Theodore Giatas  
Kenneth L. Sharp  
E. Jane Coleman, Secretary

## MENDON HOUSING AUTHORITY

### 1968 ANNUAL REPORT

In January of this year, the final payment was made to Alrae Construction Company. This payment closed the development books and was our first full year of all management.

A program was initiated towards the upkeep of the exterior of the buildings. This year three buildings were painted and fifteen doors were replaced. We hope to have approval for the installation of a Master Fire Alarm Box, which will be connected into Mendon's Fire Alarm System.

In April, the following officers were elected:

Chairman	Robert Jackson	Ass't Treasurer	Frank Dudley
Vice Chmn.	Joseph Bradley	Secretary	Lucinda Jackson
Treasurer	Beatrice Wood	Member	Charles Leonard

Several changes took place on the board. Mr. Leonard did not seek re-election and Mr. Lowell was elected to a five year term in the annual election. In September, Mr. and Mrs. Jackson resigned due to moving out of State. Mr. Hummel was appointed by Selectmen to fill out the term, which was held by Mr. Jackson. Mr. Bradley became Chairman. Mrs. Emma Barrows was appointed by the Authority as Executor Director and was elected Secretary.

A full tenancy was had this year with a small list of waiting applicants on file. Any person or persons interested in occupancy should file their application early.

The minimum rental is Sixty Dollars (\$60.00) per month and the maximum rental is Sixty-Seven Dollars (\$67.00). The admission income limit for a single tenant is \$2,500.00 per year and for a couple, it is \$3,000.00.

**BALANCE SHEET**  
**June 30, 1968**

Assets	
Administration Fund	\$ 5,062.37
Tenants Acc'ts Receivable	30.00
Investment Cash	5,000.00
Prepaid Insurance	532.56
Development Cost	390,000.00
Notes Retired	9,000.00
	<u>\$409,624.93</u>
Liabilities	
Income Tax Withholdings, Fed.	\$ 39.80
Income Tax Withholdings, State	7.80
Notes Authorized	390,000.00
Matured Interest and Principal	313.17
Development Cost Liquidation	9,000.00
Debt Service Reserve	1,932.00
Operating Reserve Development	5,959.79
	<u>\$407,252.56</u>
	<u>2,372.37</u>
	<u>\$409,624.93</u>

**1968 STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENSE**

INCOME	
Shelter Rent	\$21,832.50
EXPENSES	
Administrative Salaries	1,008.00
Accounting Salaries	288.00
Other Administrative Expense	635.79
Electricity	6,498.72
Maintenance Salaries	1,340.00
Materials and Supplies	287.02
Contractural Service	646.00
Insurance Expense	794.03
	<u>\$11,497.56</u>

**ANNUAL REPORT**

of the

**SCHOOL COMMITTEE**

and

**SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS**

of the

**TOWN OF MENDON**

**MASSACHUSETTS**

for the

**YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1968**



## SCHOOL DIRECTORY — 1968

School Committee: All terms expired as of December 31, 1968

Mr. Harris Loring Jr., Chairman	Resigned September 1968
Mr. Richard Childs, Chairman	As of September 1968
Mr. Arthur Johnson, Secretary	
Mr. Noyes Bridgham (Appointed to complete the unexpired term of Mr. Loring)	

Regular meetings held at Nipmuc Regional High School on the first Thursday of each month at 7:30 p.m.

Superintendent of Schools:

Kenneth L. Sharp	Telephone 473-8200
Office: Nipmuc Regional High School	
Mendon, Massachusetts	

School Physician:

Ronald Lukert, M.D.	Telephone 473-3045
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School Nurse:

Janet Stockwell, R.N.	Telephone 473-0994
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School Custodian:

William Hazard	Telephone 473-1768
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Transportation Agents:

Harold Barrows Jr. — Mrs. Florence Barrows

Supervisor of Elementary Schools:

Edward M. Soter	Telephone 473-1768
	529-6931

## Teachers — September 1968

	Grade	
Mrs. Gladys Burke	1	
Mrs. Pearl Kimball	1	Mrs. Grace Hutchinson,
Mrs. Ruth Burrill	2	Dev. Reading
Miss Mary Kirby	2	Mrs. Helen Thomas, Art Supvr.
Mrs. Frances McQueen	3	Mrs. Frances Rehfeld, Music Supvr.
Miss Anita Espanet	3	
Miss Barbara Bartlett	4	Teacher Resignations
Mr. William McCabe	4	Mrs. Dorothy Mathewson
Mrs. Lorna Rhodes	5	Mrs. Faith Newark
Miss Alyce Youngson	5	
Mr. Daniel Malloy	6	
Mrs. Catherine Whelen	6 (Head Teacher)	

## SCHOOL CALENDAR 1968 – 1969

### Fall Term, Sixteen Weeks:

Term begins Wednesday, September 4, 1968  
Term Ends Friday, December 20, 1968

### Winter Term, Seven Weeks:

Term begins Thursday, January 2, 1969  
Term ends Friday, February 14, 1969

### Spring Term, Eight weeks:

Term begins Monday, February 24, 1969  
Term ends Friday, April 18, 1969

### Summer Term, Eight Weeks:

Term begins Monday, April 28, 1969  
Term ends Friday, June 20, 1969

High School Graduation: June 5, 1969  
All Schools Close: June 20, 1969

### Holidays:

Teachers' Convention, November 1, 1968  
Veterans Day, November 11, 1968  
Thanksgiving, November 28 & 29, 1968  
New Years Day, January 1, 1969  
Good Friday, April 4, 1969  
Memorial Day, May 26, 1969

### Age of Admission to Schools:

To be admitted to Grade 1, a child must be five years old on or before January 1st preceding the opening of school in September. No child will be admitted to Grade 1 for the first time after October 15th.

## REPORT OF THE SCHOOL CENSUS

The annual census and distribution of school attending children was taken October 1968. This included all residents of the Town of Mendon attending local or other than local schools. This tabulation also included children attending kindergarten who have not as yet reached five years of age and children attending high school or vocational schools who are beyond the age of sixteen.

Distribution of school attending children, residents of the Town of Mendon as of October 1, 1968:

### School Enrollment as of October 1, 1968

#### Henry P. Clough School

	Boys	Girls	Total
Grade 1	34	28	62
Grade 2	25	25	50
Grade 3	28	25	53
Grade 4	21	28	49
Grade 5	31	24	55
Grade 6	<u>36</u>	<u>31</u>	<u>67</u>
Total:	175	161	336

#### Nipmuc Regional High School

Grade 7	28	21	49
Grade 8	28	24	52
Grade 9	22	32	54
Grade 10	30	15	45
Grade 11	12	30	42
Grade 12	<u>18</u>	<u>16</u>	<u>34</u>
Total:	138	138	276
Number in Public Schools:	313	299	612
Number in Special Classes	5	3	8
Number in Vocational Schools	10		10
Number in Private Schools	<u>19</u>	<u>24</u>	<u>43</u>
Total:	347	326	673



## REPORT OF THE SUPERVISOR OF ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS

To the Mendon School Committee

It is a pleasure to submit my fifth annual report as your Supervisor of Elementary Schools.

A significant step was taken at the Elementary School level this past year. The schools were organized on a Continuous Progress Program in grades two through four, in the areas of Reading and Mathematics.

The program in its initial phase can be termed successful, but improvement and expansion is needed to make it truly effective. Program Blocks of Learning Situations have been established whereby a pupil satisfactorily masters one learning block before moving on to another.

Pupils are grouped by ability in reading and mathematics and move through a series of levels to their highest possible attainment. The pupils are then regrouped heterogeneously (individually) in the social and physical sciences, music, art, penmanship and projects which require different abilities for effective social learnings.

A major goal for the coming year is to break down the learning skills into smaller units to help those pupils who are weaker in particular skills.

Although educational events do not move as fast as I would like to see them move, I believe that the people of Mendon by their support of the continuous progress concept, desire educational change and to rid ourselves of our pathological devotion to outdated curriculum which assumes that all pupils are alike. I will work diligently to insure within total school capacity that each child will start each year where he or she left off last year.

I firmly believe that the best solution to our school construction needs should center around the Middle School concept, housing grades 5—8. This course of action is educationally sound as it affords the type of school programs necessary for the total development of pupils.

Another project in reading and mathematics was funded this past summer under Title I of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act. Mendon received \$9117.00. The funds are used to help pupils with educational problems and supplements our regular school program.

Mrs. Grace Hutchinson and Mrs. Lorna Rhodes catalogued library books in Mendon purchased with Title II Federal Funds.

Two committees composed of teachers from Mendon and Upton are in the process of completing curriculum guides in Language and Social Studies. A great deal of hard work was put into the guides to make it compatible with continuous progress.

Mrs. Janet Stockwell, School Nurse, keeps us well informed of the Physical needs of our pupils. Mrs. Stockwell tests eyes, ears and measures height and weight and coordinates clinics.

The Elementary Glee Club; under the direction of Mrs. Frances Rehfeld, Vocal Music Supervisor, and the Elementary Band; under the direction of Mr. Eugene Paquin; Instrumental Music Supervisor, presented a joint Christmas Concert that was well received by a capacity crowd.

We thank the Mendon P.T.A. for the wonderful support given to the schools and the splendid cooperation in all our endeavors.

In closing I would like to thank the Mendon School Committee for the support given to the betterment of our schools and to the new Mendon-Upton Regional School District a continuation of mutual support for the welfare of our children.

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD M. SOTER  
Supervisor Of Elementary Schools

## REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

To the Mendon School Committee and the Mendon-Upton Regional School District Committee:

This will be my ninth annual report as your Superintendent of Schools. May I express my appreciation to you for your continued support in working for the betterment of the town's school system.

For some time we have been studying the possibilities of regionalizing K-12. It appears that the towns have taken a correct step forward by voting to put such a program into effect January 1, 1969. To date this has been a permissive law, but already a bill has been filed in the 1969 legislature to give the Dept. of Education the authority to dissolve school unions and to assign towns to unions.

To those people who faithfully served on the local school committees in the past, let me express my appreciation to each of you for your guidance, support, cooperation, and interest. You have set high standards for those who are elected to fill your place on the Committee taking over your duties.

The paramount problem at the upper grade level is still space. The High School Principal's report will give the facts. Throughout the past two years considerable work has been done in search of an acceptable building site. Extensive tests and retests have been made in the general area of Nipmuc Regional High School. None were acceptable for sewage disposal to the Dept. of Public Health. Therefore, the Region cannot build on the areas tested. An area on Pleasant Street in Upton has been approved and it is hoped that this site will be considered by the towns in early 1969. We are two years late now in providing space. Even if we start construction in the Fall of 1969, it is doubtful that the school could open in September, 1970. Delay can only hurt more boys and girls in a school program that is necessarily being diluted.

On the economic side it should be considered that building costs are soaring. Delays at this time are costly. It is my hope that we can initiate a building program no later than 1969.



The building of a middle school would solve a second problem for the District. Kindergartens are required by September, 1973. Upton has no space and will need at least two rooms. Under present conditions, Mendon would need one room and has this space available now. However, Mendon's grades, which are now divided into two rooms, are reaching the point where three divisions will be necessary if the town gains in population.

It is hoped that the same spirit of cooperation among professional and non-professional employees will be maintained under our new organization. We hope also to continue our healthy relationships with those town officials with whom we have worked in the past.

Respectfully submitted,

Kenneth L. Sharp  
Supt. of Schools

### **REPORT OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE**

To the citizens of the Town of Mendon, the Elementary School Committee submit their annual report:

The year 1968 will be remembered as the end of an era in local school administration, for on January 1, 1969, the elementary schools in both Mendon and Upton will become part of the Nipmuc Regional School System.

Your School Committee after a great deal of thought and investigation came to the conclusion that regionalization of grades K through 12 would, in the long run, be in the best interests of the town. Therefore, such a change was proposed in a special town meeting and after explanations was passed by a large margin. All of the mechanics for a smooth transition have been set in motion and, barring some unforeseen circumstance, the change will take place without interruption.

We have worked very closely with the Regional Committee, advising them of such things as condition of the elementary buildings, amount of land, budget items, etc., in order to make their increased task easier.



The new boiler was installed during the February vacation and is functioning properly. New windows were installed during the summer vacation in another one of the rooms in the wooden portion of the building. We now have two rooms completed and have requested the Regional Committee to carry out our plan to cover all four rooms and they have agreed.

In September Mr. H. Loring, Jr., found it necessary to resign from the committee due to a change in jobs. The Selectmen and remaining members of the committee, after due consideration, appointed Mr. N. W. Bridgham to fill this vacancy until such time as regionalization of K-12 became effective.

At the annual town meeting in March, 1967, it was voted to change the name of the elementary school to the "Henry P. Clough School." In early September, 1968, a new all-aluminum sign was installed and appropriate dedication ceremonies were held. The committee would like to thank the teachers, school administrators, pupils, town officials and the many citizens for attending and participating in this ceremony. We know Mr. Clough was deeply moved by this fine act and will long cherish the memories associated with his days as an educator in Mendon.

There is still considerable work to be done at the Henry P. Clough School, such as installation of a fire alarm system, renovation of the cafeteria, planning of classrooms for kindergarten, etc. All details and information regarding these matters has been turned over to the Regional Committee for consideration.

We sincerely wish to thank all Town Department Heads and townspeople that have helped to make our year as successful as it has been and hope you will all continue to give your support to the Regional Committee in the future.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Richard L. Childs, Chairman  
Arthur F. Johnson, Secretary  
Noyes W. Bridgham, Member

## MENDON SCHOOL FINANCIAL REPORT

### Receipts

#### APPROPRIATION

Salaries & Wages	\$116,849.81	
Expenses	<u>41,988.56</u>	
Total Budget 1968:		\$158,838.37
Unexpended Balance		<u>1,658.19</u>
Expenditures		157,180.18

#### REIMBURSEMENTS

##### Commonwealth of Massachusetts:

General School Fund	\$ 65,840.15
School Transportation	10,373.31
Special Education	2,361.00
Child Guardianship	892.70
Vocational Education	408.00
Handicapped Children	140.00
School Construction	4,595.48

##### Other:

Town of Uxbridge, Tuition	1,305.00	
School Facilities, Rental	<u>562.00</u>	
Total Reimbursements:		<u>\$ 86,477.64</u>

Net Cost by Taxation:	\$ 70,702.54
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### FINAL FINANCIAL December 31, 1968

GENERAL CONTROL	Budget	Expenditures
School Committee Exp.	250.00	116.65
Supt. Salary	4,168.54	4,168.54
Supt. Clerical	1,973.34	1,773.34
Supt. Off. Supp.	50.00	41.90
Supt. Trav. & Exp.	213.20	213.20
Census	85.00	85.90
Attendance	<u>25.00</u>	<u>-0-</u>
Total	6,765.08	6,399.53

## EXPENSE OF INSTRUCTION

Supvr. Elem. Salary	3,963.21	3,963.14
Supvr. Clerical	1,074.12	1,033.30
Supvr. Supp.	25.00	21.17
Supvr. Exp.	40.00	40.37
Teachers Salaries	96,249.00	95,217.34
Teachers Travel	40.00	40.00
Teachers Supplies	1,500.00	1,498.09
Textbooks	2,400.00	2,452.34
A—V Supplies	100.00	48.84
Testing	300.00	289.20
21" T.V.	270.00	243.75
Tuition	3,084.00	3,166.66
Total	<u>109,045.33</u>	<u>108,014.20</u>

## OPER. SCHOOL PLANT

Janitors Salaries	7,650.00	7,588.25
Janitors Supplies	1,200.00	1,262.99
Fuel	4,500.00	4,805.78
Gas	250.00	229.61
Electricity	2,200.00	1,746.81
Tel.	250.00	204.60
Cafeteria	10.00	10.00
Total	<u>16,060.00</u>	<u>15,848.04</u>

## MAINTENANCE

Maint. of Grounds	150.00	83.00
Maint. Bldgs.	3,960.00	4,274.07
Maint. Equip.	1,500.00	1,473.85
Total	<u>5,610.00</u>	<u>5,830.92</u>

CAPITAL OUTLAY	970.00	795.52
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## AUXILIARY AGENCIES

Cafeteria Contingency	500.00	500.67
Library	200.00	187.96
Physician Salary	200.00	200.00
Nurse Salary	1,461.60	1,477.90
Health Salary	25.00	22.97

Nurse Travel Exp.	80.00	80.00
Transportation	<u>17,921.36</u>	<u>17,822.47</u>
Total	20,387.96	20,291.97
GRAND TOTAL:	158,838.37	157,180.18
VOCATIONAL TUITION:	3,267.00	2,922.25
VOCATIONAL TRANS.	1,605.00	1,006.50
NDEA FUNDS		
Balance Forward:	\$ 65.99	
Receipts	<u>76.97</u>	
Total	\$ 142.96	
Disbursements:		\$ 142.96
Title I — Mendon — 1968		
Receipts	\$4,817.00	
Disbursements		\$4,817.00

### MENDON SCHOOL CAFETERIA

#### Financial Report for The Year Ending December 31, 1968

Balance January 1, 1968	\$ (2,475.08)	
RECEIPTS:		
Cafeteria Sales	12,991.95	
USDA Claim Checks	5,317.93	
Other Receipts	<u>145.62</u>	
Total Receipts:		\$ 15,980.42
DISBURSEMENTS:		
Food and Milk	\$ 10,645.99	
Labor	7,463.10	
Equipment	29.50	
Other	<u>742.60</u>	



Total Disbursements: \$ 18,881.19

Balance as of January 1, 1969 \$ (2,900.77)

USDA Claim Checks Outstanding	\$ 823.64
Inventory	1000.00

Mrs. Virginia Rogers, Manager

ANNUAL REPORT  
of the  
MENDON—UPTON REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT COMMITTEE  
Year Ending December 31, 1968

ORGANIZATION

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Mrs. Marjorie McLaughlin, Chairman	Term expires 1971
Mr. Richard Childs, Vice Chairman	Term expires 1969
Mr. L. Everett Murch, Treasurer	Term expires 1970
Mrs. Nancy Bradley	Term expires 1971
Mr. Jerald Rice	Term expires 1970
Mr. John Robertson Jr.	Term expires 1969

SUPERINTENDENT

Kenneth L. Sharp

SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE

Mrs. Catherine Pyne, Secretary	Mrs. Lillian Drake, Clerk
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SCHOOL PHYSICIAN

Christian W. Aussenheimer, M.D.

SCHOOL NURSE

Mrs. Janet Stockwell, R.N.	Mrs. Joyce Hoberg, R.N.
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ATTENDANCE OFFICER

Anthony H. Gulla, Jr.

PRINCIPAL

Wilho Frigard

Anthony H. Gulla Jr., Assistant Principal  
Mrs. Pauline Johnson, Secretary

**REPORT OF REGIONAL SCHOOL COMMITTEE  
TO THE  
CITIZENS OF MENDON AND UPTON**

The regionalization of grades K through 12 for Mendon and Upton has been a major step forward educationally and financially. Whereas it will facilitate the area of administration, the contributions made by the members of the local committees will be deeply missed. Their devotion to the operation of the schools is greatly appreciated even more so now as the regional committee takes over the local committee's responsibilities.

Again much effort has been devoted to contract negotiations with teaching and non-teaching personnel. This we feel is in fairness to the townspeople and to those responsible for giving the children the best possible education.

We are grateful to the cooperation of the teachers and for what they have accomplished in retaining standards in spite of crowded conditions and double sessions. We cannot emphasize enough the need to relieve the space problems in our schools. The young people have been deprived of part of their school program at a time when we should be adding to our present curriculum to reach those of all learning speeds as well as to ease specific learning problems. May I call your attention to the reports of the Superintendent of Schools, the High School and the Elementary School Principals.

At a time when we must move rapidly to correct the problem of lack of space, we must also examine carefully all the problems to be solved to best serve the students educationally and to stay within reasonable financial ranges. Careful examinations have been made of proposals of additions to, or free standing buildings on the present site, or building on a new site. The committee recommends building on a new site. One must also keep in mind the possibility of a Middle School —housing grades 5—8. Kindergarten classes will soon be required in public schools and space must be found for these new pupils.

In order to increase the committee's efficiency in this field, a regional building assistance committee was established with members being Mr. Arthur Johnson and Mr. N. W. Bridgham from Mendon

and Mr. Paul Swanson and Mr. James Wheeler from Upton and a representative of the School Committee. This committee has investigated many new sites and re-examined previously known sites in an effort to locate the one that would best serve the needs of the pupils and to measure up to the standards set by the state. We are grateful for the time and energy given by these members and their expressed willingness and interest to continue advising the regional committee on all phases of a building program.

We appreciate the assistance given by Members of the Mendon and Upton Finance Committees in reviewing and helping to organize the 1969 school budget. The Committee also wishes to thank the Administration, Teachers, Non-teaching Staff, Town Officials, and the townspeople who have joined efforts to strive for high education standards for the young people of our towns.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Marjorie McLaughlin, Chairman  
Regional School Committee

## **REPORT OF THE PRINCIPAL**

As has been stated before in my past reports, the problem of over-crowding in the Nipmuc Regional High School continues to become more acute with each passing year. We have now reached the point at which, as we look ahead to September of 1969, it will no longer be possible to house more than four grades in the building at one time. Without taking into account any transfers into or out of the school, projected enrollment figures indicate that we shall have approximately fifty more pupils in the high school grades next September than we have during the current school year.

To operate our program this year, the two rooms which were available in the junior high school wing are being used for high school classes. Next year, in order just to maintain our status quo curriculum-wise in grades nine through twelve, it will be necessary to release more rooms in the junior high school wing for high school classes.



The above circumstances will make it necessary to place the entire school on double-sessions next September, with grades nine through twelve attending the morning session and grades seven and eight attending the afternoon session.

Any retrenchment of the high school program will be a step backward and must not occur. Since the school opened in 1960, our aim has always been to offer a program of studies that will best meet the needs, abilities and interests of the pupils attending the school. Even though we have and will continue to have some classes in the high school with relatively small enrollments, these courses are fulfilling the needs of the pupils in them and should not be eliminated. At the same time, lack of space has forced us into many classes which are too large to maintain classroom situations conducive to effective teaching and learning. Also, lack of space and facilities have been and are a serious deterrent to the necessary broadening of our program to better meet the diverse needs represented by the pupils in a comprehensive high school.

In attempting to prepare our young people for living in a highly complex society, our program of studies must not remain static. We should be planning to include in our curriculum more advanced courses to challenge more fully our most capable students. We should be offering a larger variety of courses to meet the needs and interests of our terminal and non-college pupils. We should be expanding our business education offerings to include data processing and other related techniques. We should have a full-time reading instructor for remedial and/or developmental work. Spanish, which was phased out of our program during the last two years, should be reinstated into the curriculum. A health education course, in which education on alcohol, sex and drugs would be included, should be a part of our program of studies. With home economics now not available to seventh and eighth grade girls, a revision and expansion of the high school program is in order, with home economics perhaps being required of all ninth grade girls.

I am pleased to report that at the July 1968 meeting of the Commission on Public Secondary Schools of the New England Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools the required five-year report after our evaluation in 1963 was considered and accepted. This means that Nipmuc Regional High School will have continued membership and full accreditation. The commission, in notifying us of its action, expressed the hope "that continued progress will be made to provide the finest educational opportunities for the young

people of the community”. We were also reminded that our next evaluation should be planned during or before the 1972-1973 school year. It was also requested that we inform the commission of any major changes that occur in our school during the interim.

I wish to express my sincere appreciation to all individuals and organizations who in any way were of assistance in the operation of our school during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,  
Wilho Frigard

ENROLLMENT BY GRADES

	7	8	9	10	11	12	Total
1968							
(Actual)	118	122	126	103	95	74	638
			398				
1969							
(Projected)	142	118	122	126	103	95	706
			446				

The above figures do not take into account any transfers into or out of the school by September 1969 and assumes that all pupils will progress normally to the next grade. These figures will without doubt not be exactly as listed above; but even if some pupils are retained in their present grades, they will still contribute to the over-all total figures.

# NIPMUC REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL

## Eighth Annual Commencement Exercises

Thursday, June 6, 1968

8:00 P.M.

### Graduating Class

Bruce Edward Aldrich	Michael Francis Lemieux
James Martin Auty	*Hilda Catherina van der Linde
Bonnie Lee Bartlett	Linwood Earle Lowell
Beverly Jean Benoit	*Susan Gail Martini
William Jonathan Burr	Jane Elizabeth Mason
Roxanne Eve Calnan	*James Bernard Matthews
Anders Russell Carlson	David Marr McKellar
David Leonard Carlson	Laurie Jean McMahon
Gail Marie Cousineau	John Angelo Mespelli
*Carleton Warren Cox	*Christine Isabel Miller
Karen Gail Cram	Beatrice Maude Morlock
Michael Norman Davidson	Stephen Andrew Moshier
Denise Diomedes	David Russell Paddock
Russell Francis Dudley	Richard Michael Paille
Raymond Edgar Ethier	*Wendy Karen Palm
Elizabeth Marie Fales	*Mary Teresa Pearo
Wayne Richard Farrar	Bonita Marie Phillips
Linda Susan Fior	Kenneth Packard Phillips
*Diane Marie Fitch	Kenneth Lee Pirtle
*Mary Ann Francis	*Pamela Sue Prentiss
Barry Alan Garland	Raymond Theodore Ricard, Jr.
William Joseph Gorman	Donald Roy Sanborn
Dennis Patrick Grady	Carolyn Joan Sears
*Teresa Anne Grenier	*Nancy Ellen Smith
Patricia Lynn Harvey	*Robert Raymond Spindel
Richard Thurston Hensel	*Kenneth Roy Swanson
Donald Allen Hutchinson	Paul George Swanson
William James Kelly	*Martha Alice Sweeney
Joyce Frances Lapan	Margaret Jean Thompson
John Richard LaRose	Eric Tracy Torey
Ronald Allan Lavigne	Suzann Marie Tyler
Duane Armand Leclair	Henry James VanderSluis
Philip Martin LeMarbre	Roberta Lee Washburn
Henry Arthur Whitney, III	

\* National Honor Society



## Program

*Processional	High School Band
*Invocation	Rev. Gregoire Ratte <i>St. Michael's Church, Mendon</i>
*National Anthem	All Present
Address of Welcome	James Matthews <i>Class President</i>
Selection:	
"Let There Be Peace On Earth ( <i>Miller-Jackson</i> )	Class of 1968
Essay: "Let There Be Peace On Earth"	Suzann Tyler
Selection: "Halls of Ivy" ( <i>Russell-Knight</i> )	Class of 1968
Essay: "Halls of Ivy"	Donald Sanborn
Selection "You'll Never Walk Alone" ( <i>Rodgers-Hammerstein</i> )	Class of 1968
Essay: "You'll Never Walk Alone"	Diane Fitch
Presentation of Class Gift	Ronald Lavigne
Presentation of Awards	Wilho Frigard <i>Principal</i>
Remarks	Kenneth L. Sharp <i>Superintendent of Schools</i>
Presentation of Diplomas	Mrs. Charles McLaughlin <i>Chairman, School Committee</i>
*Benediction	Rev. Ronald E. Hawkins <i>Mendon Baptist Church</i>
*Recessional	High School Band
<i>Director of Band and Chorus</i>	Donald Thatcher
<i>Accompanist</i>	Mary Francis
<i>Marshal</i>	William Hackenson <i>Junior Class President</i>
* Audience Standing	



### CLASS OFFICERS

<i>President</i>	James Matthews
<i>Vice-President</i>	Ronald Lavigne
<i>Secretary</i>	Pamela Prentiss
<i>Treasurer</i>	Martha Sweeney

### CLASS ADVISOR

Muriel Tinkham

### CLASS MOTTO

“The Torch Has Been Passed To A New Generation”

### CLASS COLORS

Red and Gold

### CLASS FLOWER

Red Rose

### SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Mrs. Charles McLaughlin, *Chairman*

Richard Childs, *Vice-Chairman*

L. Everett Murch, *Treasurer*

Mrs. Joseph Bradley

Jerald Rice

John Robertson

### SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

Kenneth L. Sharp

## SCHOOL FACULTY

Wilho Frigard, <i>Principal</i>	Beverly Keeler
Anthony Gulla, <i>Assistant Principal</i>	Helen Lombard
Stephen Bodnar	Eileen Lucier
Allan Byrne	John McGrail
Morgan Creighton	Martha Miles
Patricia Cullen	John Moruzzi
Thomas Cullen	Harold Murphy
Anne Davenport	Carl Olson
Ian Denton	Robert Redden
Alphonse Dupre	Julio Renzi
Lucille Gilbert	Richard Robinson
Maryellen Gray	Robert Smith
Stephanie Gucciardi	John Somes
Robert Healy	Janet Stockwell
Kenneth Henderson	Linda Sweeney
Dorothy Hentz	Donald Thatcher
Joyce Hoberg	Muriel Tinkham
Betsy Johnson	Ruth Voss
William Kimball	Marjorie Weed
Mary Woods	

## AWARDS PRESENTED AT THE 1968 GRADUATION EXCERISES

1. D.A.R. Good Citizenship Certificate to Mary Francis.
2. Student Government Day Representative Certificate to James Matthews.
3. Mendon Alumni Association Medal to the student who has made a significant contribution to his class and school to Martha Sweeney.
4. The American Legion School Award given by the Roger L. Wood Post of Mendon to Hilda van der Linde.
5. Ella Whitney Risteen Awards of \$25.00 each to the girl and boy who have made the greatest progress in terms of total growth and development to Beverly Benoit and Robert Spindel.

6. French Club scholarship of \$50.00 to Christine Miller.
7. Future Teachers of America scholarship of \$50.00 to Pamela Prentiss.
8. Future Business Leaders of America scholarship of \$75.00 to Nancy Smith.
9. Upton Grange scholarships of \$50.00 each to Teresa Grenier and Donald Sanborn.
10. Upton Women's Club scholarship of \$100.00 to Teresa Grenier.
11. Two \$75.00 scholarships awarded by the George L. Wood Post, Veterans of Foreign Wars, Upton, to Christine Miller and Robert Spindel
12. Upton Kiwanis Club Waldo Graton scholarship of \$150.00 to Teresa Grenier.
13. A \$150.00 scholarship awarded by the Milford Area Association for Retarded Children to a student who intends to pursue a career in teaching the retarded to Margaret Thompson.
14. Upton Bloomer Girls scholarships of \$100.00 each to Teresa Grenier and Donald Sanborn.
15. Class of 1962 scholarship of \$50.00 to Donald Sanborn.
16. A \$100.00 scholarship awarded by the Women's Service Group of the Worcester Y.W.C.A. to Suzann Tyler.
17. A \$100.00 scholarship awarded by the Youth Group of the John Street Baptist Church of Worcester to Suzann Tyler.
18. Mendon-Upton Elementary Teachers Association scholarship of \$100.00 to Suzann Tyler.
19. Nipmuc Regional Faculty Wives and Women's Club scholarship of \$50.00 to Carolyn Sears.

20. Nipmuc Regional Teachers Association scholarships to the following graduates in the amounts indicated:

David Carlson	\$ 75.00
Diane Fitch	\$100.00
Teresa Grenier	\$100.00
Hilda van der Linde	\$100.00
Susan Martini	\$100.00
Christine Miller	\$100.00
Robert Spindel	\$100.00
Margaret Thompson	\$100.00
Mary Francis	\$150.00
James Matthews	\$150.00
Pamela Prentiss	\$150.00
*Martha Sweeney	\$500.00
*Henry P. Clough Scholarship	

**MENDON—UPTON REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
SCHOOL LUNCH PROGRAM  
REPORT OF CAFETERIA MANAGER**

To the Mendon-Upton Regional School Committee and  
Mr. Kenneth L. Sharp, Superintendent

Gentlemen:

During the past year we have continued to have a very high participation in the Lunch Program. With the use of USDA commodities, we have been able to keep the cost of student lunches at twenty-five cents per meal, in spite of rising food costs.

We served 53,418 Type A meals which met all State requirements and sold 81,101, ½ pints of milk.

As the Junior High is still on double sessions, they are not included in the lunch program.

I extend my sincere thanks to the students, school personnel and my staff for their fine cooperation during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,  
Mrs. Marion Prentiss, Manager



## FINANCIAL REPORT

Cash Balance, January 1, 1968                      \$ (2,464.72)

### RECEIPTS:

Cafeteria Sales	14,574.45	
USDA Claim Checks	6,509.62	
Other Receipts	30.56	
Appropriation	<u>2,500.00</u>	
Total Receipts		\$21,149.91

### DISBURSEMENTS:

Food and Milk	\$13,070.02	
Labor	8,610.96	
Other Expense	<u>832.08</u>	
Total Disbursements		\$22,513.06

Balance, January 1, 1969    \$(1,363.15)

USDA Claim Checks Outstanding:	\$1,095.28
Inventory	\$1,400.00

**MENDON—UPTON REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**FINANCIAL REPORT — December 31, 1968**

	<b>BUDGET 1968</b>	<b>EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>BALANCE</b>
General Control	\$ 10,177.66	\$ 10,173.23	\$ 4.43
Exp. of Instruction	297,738.57	297,737.95	.62
Oper. School Plant:	35,600.00	35,586.99	13.01
Maintenance:	5,300.00	5,299.72	.28
Transportation:	66,558.50	66,557.68	.82
Aux. Agencies	21,129.66	21,128.62	1.04
Capital Outlay	3,301.75	3,301.62	.13
Spec. Services	100.00	99.00	1.00
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<u>\$439,906.14</u>	<u>\$439,884.81</u>	<u>\$21.33</u>

**MENDON—UPTON REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**REPORT OF TREASURER — December 31, 1968**

Cash Balance, January 1, 1968           \$ 62,633.25

**RECEIPTS:**

Town Assessments:	
Upton	265,372.00
Mendon	192,955.78
State Reimbursements	91,871.30
Natl. Defense Ed. Act Grants	4,254.43
Interest	835.20
Net Inc. in School Athletic Fund	342.62
Miscellaneous	1,709.72

Disbursements:	
Operation Expense	443,157.51
Debt Service — Principal	60,000.00
—Interest	27,200.00
Net Decrease in School Lunch Fund	<u>1,398.43</u>
Cash Balance January 1, 1969	88,218.36
	<u>\$619,974.30</u>
	<u>\$619,974.30</u>

L. Everett Murch  
Treasurer

### BALANCE SHEET

#### ASSETS:

Home National Bank	\$69,530.96	
Milford Federal Savings & Loan	<u>18,687.40</u>	
Total Cash		\$ 88,218.36

#### LIABILITIES & RESERVES:

Federal Grants	6,210.63	
Athletic Fund	518.97	
Cafeteria Deficit	(1,363.15)	
Vocational Ed. Grant	.30	
Surplus Revenue	<u>82,851.61</u>	
		\$ 88,218.36

#### FIXED DEBT

##### Mendon-Upton Regional School District Bond:

4 1/4% dated July 1, 1959:

Original Issue:	\$1,150,000.00
Matured to date:	<u>540,000.00</u>
Balance Due	\$ 610,000.00

Kenneth L. Sharp  
Superintendent of Schools

## ANNUAL REPORT OF THE BLACKSTONE VALLEY VOCATIONAL REGIONAL SCHOOL COMMITTEE

1. Regular Meetings of the committee are held at the school in Upton on the third Thursday of each month. During the year 1968, 11 regular meetings and four special meetings were held.

At the present time the following courses are being offered:

- a. Auto body
- b. Auto mechanics
- c. Drafting
- d. Electronics
- e. Machine shop
- f. Metal fabrication
- g. Carpentry
- h. Plant maintenance

2. Enrollment:

In September 1968 the third class enrolled in the school with 112 juniors, 117 sophomores and 111 freshmen. Of these there are 9 from the Town of Mendon.

3. Adult training program:

The evening trade extension courses are open to persons over 16 who are not attending school and the following courses are offered:

- Auto body repair
- Auto mechanics
- Carpentry
- Electronics
- Machine Shop
- Metal Fabrication
- Plant Maintenance
- Drafting
- Plumbing code
- Blueprint reading

In these courses are enrolled 17 men from Mendon.

4. Automotive Machinist Program:

44 week training period

5. Production Machinist Program:

30 week program for unemployed men



There have been 670 people enrolled in all the different courses at the school.

New Building:

Because of the size of the enrollment there was a need for building new spaces for the incoming classes. The new building which will be ready for use in September 1969 will house new class and shop areas and provide at least one new course, viz., plumbing. It will enable the school to house an additional number of boys to make the four year classes complete.

The Town of Mendon is assessed according to the number of pupils enrolled and according to the original ratio for the capital expenditure.

The total assessment for Mendon is \$1,266.00

Respectfully submitted,

J. Gerard Sweeney  
Member for the Town of Mendon



**TOWN OF MENDON**

**FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT**

including

**WARRANT**

for

**ANNUAL TOWN MEETING**

1968

## FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

Citizens of Mendon:

For the year 1969 your Finance Committee recommends that the sum of \$673,329 be raised and appropriated at the annual town meeting. This included \$616,336 for Article 4 Appropriations and \$56,993 for Special Articles. Available and Special Funds amount to \$69,988, leaving a balance of \$603,341 to be raised by tax levy. These recommendations were determined after several hours of study and consideration of all departmental requests.

Estimated maximum acquisition costs have been used for the following

Article 4 – Police Department Cruiser Trade-In.

Article 4 – Highway Department Equipment Purchase.

Article 7 – Fire Department Combination Truck-Tanker.

Bids for these items have been requested and will be opened before the Annual Town Meeting. In the past the money was appropriated before bids were requested. Under this new procedure we believe it will be possible to reduce the required appropriations on the Town Meeting floor.

In addition to holding the rising costs of town government within reasonable bounds, one of the prime objectives of your Finance Committee is to schedule major capital expenditures in a manner which will avoid large fluctuations in the tax rate. With this objective in mind, coupled with the imminent need for additional school facilities, we are recommending the remodeling of the lower town hall to provide office facilities for town departments and also the purchase of a new fire truck during the year 1969. Details on these recommendations will be found under the Special Article section of this report.

Of the \$5,000.00 Reserve Fund appropriated in 1968, \$3,504.35 was transferred and is included in the expenditures of the departments enumerated below:

Aid to Veterans	\$1,236.20
Insurance on Town Buildings	563.80
Police Dept. – Expense	614.56
Town Beach – Salaries & Wages	250.00
Highways – Gen'l Repairs – Wages	202.25
Dog Officer – Expense	173.00
Record Room – Equipment	168.00



Library — Expenses	117.50
Tree Warden — Expense	63.45
Tree Warden — Salaries & Wages	50.00
Four Other Departments	64.79
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Total Transfers	\$3,503.55

We wish to thank the town officials and department heads for their co-operation and assistance and we urge you, the voters and taxpayers, to attend the Annual Town Meeting and bring this report with you.

Joseph Taylor — Chairman  
William F. Ober — Vice Chairman  
John S. Hogarth, Jr. — Clerk  
Daniel N. Barnes  
Emerson F. White

## BUDGET REVIEW ARTICLE 4

Salaries & Wages: Continuing with the Salary & Wage Schedule established by this committee in 1965 we have included increases in several departmental budgets which are to become effective April 1, 1969. The added annual cost of these increases amount to \$850.00 in salaries and \$3,200 in hourly wages.

Police Department: Wage increase of \$4,500 includes the anticipated addition of a third full-time man at \$120.00 weekly effective April 1, 1969. Present salaries of the full time personnel are: Chief of Police \$160.00, Sergeant \$130.00. Included in the expense recommendations are \$2,400 for an answering service and \$560.00 for furniture and equipment. \$2,600 has been recommended for cruiser trade-in.

Highway Department: Expansion of Chapter 90 Programs amount to \$2,000.00. The balance of the increase in this category is primarily due to wage increases. The recommended hourly wages of highway personnel effective April 1, 1969 will be: Superintendent \$2.80; Truck Drivers \$2.40; Laborers \$2.10

Veteran's Benefits: Heavier case loads and higher allowable benefits are the cause for the increase in this department. Aid to veterans are 50% reimbursed by the State.

Schools: Soaring salaries continued unabated! Between legislative mandate and collective bargaining the taxpayer is all but helpless! Aside from this, a higher Mendon pupil ratio has also increased costs.

## **SPECIAL ARTICLES**

### **ARTICLE 5: Unpaid Bills of Prior Years**

We recommend that the sum of \$180.65 be appropriated to pay Highway Department public liability and workmen's compensation insurance audit bills for 1966 & 1967. This requires a 4/5ths vote.

### **ARTICLE 6: Remodeling Town Hall to Provide Office Facilities**

The complexity of present day municipal government necessitates adequate office facilities even in small towns. Mendon's need was clearly communicated to the taxpayers last year. At that time the consensus of opinion seemed to be in agreement as to the need but not in the method of resolving the problem. There can be little question that the least expensive method of providing office facilities would be to renovate part of the town hall. At this writing detailed plans and costs are not available but it is anticipated that construction costs will not reach \$15,000.00. Any unexpended balance not required for remodeling will be used to purchase furniture and equipment for the offices. We recommend that \$5,000.00 be appropriated by taxation and that \$10,000.00 be appropriated from Available Funds to provide town office facilities in the town hall.

### **ARTICLE 7. Combination Fire Truck-Tanker**

Fire Department equipment is very expensive but all this becomes completely irrelevant when the whistle blows. The question that arises at that time is whether or not the equipment is adequate to handle the fire and, of equal importance, is it reliable and dependable. At the present time Engine No. 3 is 21 years old and the tanker is in very poor condition. For these reasons the Fire Department is requesting a combination fire truck-tanker to replace

Enginer No. 3 and the tanker. We recommend that \$7,500.00 be appropriated by taxation, \$10,000.00 be appropriated from the Stabilization Fund, and \$15,000.00 be appropriated by borrowing for a period of five years under Chapter 44 of the General Laws.

#### ARTICLE 8. School Lunch Program Deficit

The school lunch program has been operating at a deficit for several years. Regionalizing all school grades leaves this overdrawn account on the town's books. We recommend that the sum of \$2,077.13 be appropriated to the Henry P. Clough School Lunch Program to balance this deficit.

#### ARTICLE 9: Transfer of Unexpended Funds to E & D

The Milford Health Center, operated jointly by the Milford Area Mental Health Association and the State Department of Mental Health, has replaced the Greater Milford Mental Health Association. Money for the new organization has been included in the Board of Health Budget. We recommend that the sum of \$235.00 appropriated under Article 7 of the 1966 Annual Town Meeting be transferred to the Excess & Deficiency account.

#### ARTICLE 10: Increase in Finance Committee members from 5 to 7

At the present time the Finance Committee is operating with one-man sub-committees. This has made it very difficult when new members are appointed and have to be familiarized with the operations of the various departments. With two-man sub-committees each new member would be working with an experienced man. In addition, two more members would help distribute the work load at budget time and provide better communication with appointed officials and department heads. We recommend that the town vote to amend Chapter 4, Section 1 of the Town By-Laws to increase from 5 to 7 the number of members of the Finance Committee.

#### ARTICLE 11: Park Street Reconstruction

This is the continuation of reconstruction work as agreed upon in previous years. We recommend appropriation of the sum of \$4,000.00 for this project.



## ARTICLE 12: Bates Street Reconstruction

The grant under Chapter 616 of the Acts of 1967 was scheduled for a two year program. The balance of last year's appropriation (\$2,289.76) plus the \$2,734.76 recommended this year will be available for reconstruction work on Bates Street.

## ARTICLE 13: Retarded Children

The Regional Summer Program for Retarded Children is held in Bellingham. It has proved to be very successful due to the efforts of a dedicated staff. Expenditures for this program are 50% reimbursed by the State. We recommend that \$500.00 be appropriated under this article.

### **GLOSSARY OF TERMS USED IN TOWN FINANCE**

The following terms are frequently used in the Annual Town Report and at Town Meetings. These definitions are provided in order to give you a better understanding of their meaning:

#### **SURPLUS REVENUE:**

This fund, often referred to as "Excess & Deficiency" (E & D) represents the amount by which the Cash, Accounts Receivable and other assets exceed the liabilities and reserves.

#### **AVAILABLE FUNDS:**

A fund, often referred to as "Free Cash", certified annually by the State Bureau of Accounts by deducting from Surplus Revenue all uncollected taxes for prior years and overdrawn accounts. This fund may be used by a vote of the Town Meeting.

#### **RESERVE FUND:**

This fund is established by the voters at the annual town meeting and may be composed of the following: 1) an appropriation not exceeding 5% of the preceding year's tax levy: 2) money appropriated from Overlay Reserve: or 3) both. Transfers from the Reserve Fund are within the exclusive control of the Finance Committee and are for "extraordinary or unforeseen expenditures".



## STABILIZATION FUND:

A special account created to provide a reserve for capital expenditures. Under certain conditions the State will match sums taken from this Fund during the first year only; and in amounts up to a maximum of \$100,000. This Fund reduces the Bonding costs for Mendon.

## OVERLAY:

The Overlay is the amount raised by the Assessors in excess of appropriations and other charges for the purpose of creating a fund to cover abatements granted and avoid fractions when establishing the tax rate.

## OVERLAY RESERVE:

This is the accumulated amount of the Overlay for various years not used or required to be held in the specific Overlay account for a given year. It may be used by vote of the town for extraordinary or unforeseen expenditures or voted into the Reserve Fund.

## ROAD MACHINERY FUND: (An Income Account)

The Town charges for municipally owned equipment used on State (Chapter 81 & 90) reimbursed work. This charge is based upon acceptable rates set by the Mass. D.P.W. and covers such equipment as trucks, backhoes and rollers. The income is then deposited into this account. These funds are later appropriated to the Road Machinery Account.

## ROAD MACHINERY ACCOUNT:

This is an Expense Account and is used only for payment of operating and maintenance expenses of highway department equipment.

## CHAPTER 90 FUNDS:

These funds are spent for highway construction and maintenance with the co-operation of the town, county and State Department of Public Works. The shares for new construction are: Town 25%; County 25%; and State 50%. Maintenance projects are shared equally, one-third each.

# REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

## ARTICLE 4

### BUDGET EXPENDITURES AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Item	Expended 1967	Expended 1968	Recommended 1969
<b>General Government — 3.7% of Total</b>			
Moderator:			
1. Salary	\$ 25	\$ 25	\$ 25
2. Expense	—0—	—0—	20
3. Finance Committee Expense	53	103	100
Selectmen:			
4. Salaries	974	1,000	1,113
5. Expense	409	435	450
Town Accountant:			
6. Salary	675	700	775
7. Expense	90	72	100
Treasurer:			
8. Salary	1,425	1,500	1,500
9. Expense	675	631	850
Tax Collector:			
10. Salary	1,175	1,200	1,313
11. Expense	717	798	900
Assessors:			
12. Salaries & Wages	1,116	1,045	1,200
13. Expense	335	335	950
Town Counsel:			
14. Salary	50	50	50
15. Expense	1,249	575	650
Town Clerk:			
16. Salary	450	450	488
17. Expense	531	223	675
Elections & Registrations:			
18. Salaries & Wages	656	1,411	850
19. Expense	158	482	490
20. Planning Board Expense	173	54	325
21. Industrial Development Commission Expense	100	10	300
Record Room:			
22. Salaries & Wages	3,093	3,595	3,900
23. Expense	770	684	650
24. Furniture & Equipment	424	468	1,250
25. Tax Title Foreclosure	-0-	-0-	100
26. Heat & Lights, Town Buildings	3,156	2,178	2,500
Town Hall Maintenance:			
27. Salary	580	600	638
28. Expense	409	380	600
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 19,468</b>	<b>\$ 19,004</b>	<b>\$ 22,762</b>

Item	Expended 1967	Expended 1968	Recommended 1969
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**Protection of Persons & Property — 8.4% of Total**

Police Department:			
29. Salaries & Wages	\$ 9,724	\$ 22,802	\$ 27,000
30. Expense	2,296	5,015	8,225
31. Cruiser Trade-In	5	2,000	2,600
Fire Department:			
32. Salaries & Wages	1,693	2,662	2,600
33. Expense	2,070	2,099	2,250
34. Equipment	943	992	1,150
Dog Officer:			
35. Salary	58	60	60
36. Expense	813	973	1,000
Civil Defense:			
37. Salary	100	100	100
38. Expense	20	100	250
39. Constable Salaries	55	60	60
40. Auxiliary Police Expense	572	243	500
41. Board of Appeals Expense	—0—	—0—	25
Wiring Inspector:			
42. Salaries	170	200	200
43. Expense	21	—0—	35
44. Gas Inspector Salary	25	25	25
Tree Warden:			
45. Wages	1,234	1,313	1,250
46. Expense	1,564	1,600	1,550
47. Insect Pest Control	700	800	800
48. Dutch Elm Disease Control	1,100	1,300	1,300
49. Additional Spraying, Including Mosquito	800	900	900
50. Conservation Commission Expense	—0—	—0—	100
TOTAL	\$ 23,963	\$ 43,244	\$ 51,980

**Health & Sanitation — 1.2% of Total**

Board of Health:			
51. Salaries & Wages	\$ 625	\$ 570	\$ 707
52. Expense	1,339	947	4,548
53. Town Dump	1,800	2,100	2,400
TOTAL	\$ 3,764	\$ 3,617	\$ 7,655

Item	Expended 1967	Expended 1968	Recommended 1969
<b>Library — .5% of Total</b>			
Taft Public Library:			
74. Salaries & Wages (Including Library Aid of \$517)	\$ 1,365	\$ 1,453	\$ 1,550
75. Expense (Including Dog License Refund of \$361)	990	1,243	1,350
TOTAL	\$ 2,355	\$ 2,696	\$ 2,900
<b>Parks &amp; Recreation — 7% of Total</b>			
Park Department:			
76. Wages	\$ 600	\$ 100	\$ 100
77. Expense	426	974	1,150
Town Beach & Recreation Program			
78. Salaries & Wages	1,600	2,013	2,150
79. Expense	750	1,435	1,050
TOTAL	\$ 3,376	\$ 4,522	\$ 4,450
<b>Pensions &amp; Benefits — 1.1% of Total</b>			
80. Worcester County Retirement Fund	\$ 4,671	\$ 3,896	\$ 4,694
81. Group Insurance — Town Employees	1,820	2,077	1,800
82. Group Insurance — Administration	100	103	100
TOTAL	\$ 6,591	\$ 6,076	\$ 6,594
<b>Unclassified — 1.5% of Total</b>			
83. Town Reports	\$ 675	\$ 867	\$ 1,050
84. Memorial Day Observance	276	249	275
85. Soldiers' & Sailors' Graves	50	50	50
86. Insurance on Town Buildings	2,420	3,064	3,100
87. Reserve Fund (Expended 1967 \$3,951) (Expended 1968 \$3,504)			5,000
TOTAL	\$ 3,421	\$ 4,230	\$ 9,475
<b>Public Service Enterprise — .3% of Total</b>			
88. Water Department Expense	\$ 1,695	\$ 1,708	\$ 2,000
<b>Maturing Debt &amp; Interest — 2.3% of Total</b>			
Maturing Debt:			
89. Center School Loan	\$ 6,000	\$ 6,000	\$ 6,000
90. Town Beach Loan	2,000	2,000	2,000
91. Water Loan	1,000	1,000	1,000



Item	Expended 1967	Expended 1968	Recommended 1969
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#### Highways – 11.9% of Total

General Repairs:					
54.	Wages		\$ 3,869	\$ 4,402	\$ 4,800
55.	Expense		1,569	1,193	2,000
Chapter 81:		(1)			
56.	Town's Share		3,700	3,700	3,700
57.	State's Share	(2)	10,175	10,175	10,175
Chapter 90 Maintenance:		(1)			
58.	Town's Share		1,700	1,700	2,000
59.	State & County Share	(2)	3,400	3,400	4,000
Chapter 90 Construction:		(1)			
60.	Town's Share		1,304	1,162	4,000
61.	State & County Share	(2)	3,912	3,484	12,000
Snow Removal:					
62.	Wages		4,449	4,742	5,300
63.	Expense		13,500	9,168	10,200
64.	Street Lights		1,283	1,299	1,700
65.	Road Machinery Account	(3)	3,700	4,438	5,200
66.	Equipment Purchase	(1)	3,918	7,673	8,000
(1) To Be Voted Individually					
(2) From Available Funds					
(3) From Road Mach. Fund					
TOTAL			\$ 56,479	\$ 56,536	\$ 73,075

#### Veterans' Benefits – 1.9% of Total

Administration:				
67.	Salary	\$ 437	\$ 450	\$ 488
68.	Expense	91	6	112
69.	Aid to Veterans	<u>3,863</u>	<u>9,929</u>	<u>11,000</u>
TOTAL		\$ 4,391	\$ 10,385	\$ 11,600

#### Charities

Welfare Services (Assumed by the State July 1, 1968)	\$ 54,302	\$ 34,420	\$ —0—
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#### Schools – 66.5% of Total

	Mendon—Upton School District:			
70.	Operating Costs	\$284,587	\$332,334	\$378,612
71.	Capital Costs	22,461	21,761	20,979
	Blkstone Valley Voc. Sch. Distr.:			
72.	Operating Costs	4,960	4,978	7,893
73.	Capital Costs	1,410	1,630	2,373
	TOTAL	\$313,418	\$360,703	\$409,857

Item	Expended 1967	Expended 1968	Recommended 1969
Interest On Maturing Debt:			
92. Center School Loan	1,440	1,260	1,080
93. Town Beach Loan	528	462	396
94. Water Loan	56	33	12
95. Interest on Temporary Loans	<u>2,539</u>	<u>3,120</u>	<u>3,500</u>
TOTAL	<u>\$ 13,563</u>	<u>\$ 13,875</u>	<u>\$ 13,988</u>
TOTAL ARTICLE 4	<u>\$506,786</u>	<u>\$561,016</u>	<u>\$616,336</u>

#### Summary

	Appropriated 1968	Recommended 1969
ARTICLE 4:		
General Government	\$ 22,775	\$ 22,762
Protection of Persons & Property	40,255	51,980
Health & Sanitation	7,000	7,655
Highways	68,975	73,075
Veterans Benefits	4,575	11,600
Charities	51,575	—0—
Schools	362,324	409,857
Library	2,625	2,900
Parks & Recreation	4,350	4,450
Pensions & Benefits	6,496	6,594
Unclassified	8,800	9,475
Public Service Enterprise	2,000	2,000
Maturing Debt & Interest	<u>13,756</u>	<u>13,988</u>
Total Article 4	\$595,506	\$616,336
SPECIAL ARTICLES:		
5. Unpaid bills, prior years		\$ 181
6. Remodeling Town Hall		15,000
7. Combination Fire Truck-Tanker		32,500
8. School Lunch Deficit		2,077
11. Park Street Reconstruction		4,000
12. Bates Street Reconstruction		2,735
13. Recreation — Retarded Children		<u>500</u>
Total Special Articles	<u>\$ 20,373</u>	<u>\$ 56,993</u>
TOTAL RECOMMENDATIONS	\$615,879	\$673,329
TOTAL SPECIAL & AVAILABLE FUNDS	<u>\$ 40,925</u>	<u>\$ 69,988</u>
BALANCE TO BE RAISED BY TAX LEVY	<u>\$574,954</u>	<u>\$603,341</u>

## NOTES

## TOWN WARRANT

### COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Worcester, ss.

To the Constable of the Town of Mendon in the County of Worcester

Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are directed to notify the inhabitants of the Town of Mendon qualified to vote in elections and in town affairs to meet at the Town Hall in said Mendon on Monday the 24th day of March A.D. 1969 punctually at 9:00 o'clock A.M., to act on the following articles, viz:

Article 2 and all following Articles on this Warrant will be acted upon Friday, the twenty-eighth day of March 1969 at 7:30 o'clock P.M. at the Main Auditorium of the Nipmuc Regional High School.

**ARTICLE 1.** To bring in their ballots for the following Town Officers:

- One Moderator for one year
- One Selectman for three years
- One Assessor for three years
- One Town Clerk for one year
- One Tree Warden for one year
- One Highway Surveyor for one year
- One Member of the Regional School District Committee for three years
- One Trustee for Taft Public Library for two years
- One Park Commissioner for one year
- One Water Commissioner for three years
- One Member of the Planning Board for five years
- One Member of the Housing Authority for one year
- One Member of the Housing Authority for five years
- One Member of the Board of Health for three years
- One Constable for three years

all on one ballot, designating the office intended for each person.



**ARTICLE 2.** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue for the financial years beginning January 1, 1969 and January 1, 1970, in accordance with the provisions of General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 4, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year, in accordance with the provisions of General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 17.

RECOMMEND that the Treasurer be so authorized.

**ARTICLE 3.** To fix the salaries and compensations of the Elected Officers of the Town.

RECOMMEND that the Annual Salaries of the Elected Officers of the Town be fixed as follows: Moderator — \$25.00; Chairman of Selectmen — \$450.00; Board Members — \$350.00 each; Treasurer — \$1,500.00; Tax Collector — \$1,350; plus fees; Assessors — \$375.00 each; Town Clerk — \$500.00 plus fees; Constables — \$20.00 each; Board of Health — \$75.00 each; and the Tree Warden be compensated at the rate of \$2.50 per hour; The Park Commissioners be compensated at the rate of \$2.10 per hour; and that all salaries and wages be effective as of April 1.

**ARTICLE 4.** To determine what sums of money the Town will raise and appropriate, including appropriations from Available Funds, to defray charges and expenses of the Town, including debt and interest and to provide for a Reserve Fund for the ensuing year.

SEE “Budget Expenditures and Recommendations”.

**ARTICLE 5.** To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$180.65 to pay unpaid bills of prior years.

RECOMMEND that \$180.65 be appropriated to pay unpaid bills of prior years.

**ARTICLE 6.** To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$15,000 for remodeling and equipping the first floor of the Town Hall to provide town office facilities and to determine whether the money shall be provided for by taxation, by appropriation of available funds in the treasury or by borrowing under the provisions of Chapter 44 of the General Laws.

RECOMMEND that \$5,000.00 be appropriated by taxation and \$10,000.00 be appropriated from Available Funds for remodeling the first floor of the Town Hall to provide Town Office Facilities.

**ARTICLE 7.** To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money for the purchase of a piece of fire apparatus and determine whether the money shall be provided for by taxation, by appropriation from available funds in the treasury or by borrowing under the provisions of Chapter 44 of the General Laws.

RECOMMEND that \$32,500.00 be appropriated for the purchase of a new combination fire truck-tanker. — \$7,500.00 from taxation, \$10,000.00 from the Stabilization Fund and \$15,000.00 by borrowing under Chapter 44 of the General Laws, for a period of five years,

**ARTICLE 8.** To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$2,077.13 to the Henry P. Clough School Lunch Program.

RECOMMEND that \$2,077.13 be appropriated to cover the deficit in the Henry P. Clough School Lunch Program.

**ARTICLE 9.** To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of \$235.00 from the Greater Milford Mental Health Association Account to the Excess and Deficiency Account. This being the sum appropriated under Article 7 of the April 1, 1966 Town Meeting.

RECOMMEND that the Greater Milford Mental Health Association Account of \$235.00 be transferred to the Excess and Deficiency Account.

**ARTICLE 10.** To see if the Town will vote to amend Chapter 4 Section 1 of the Town By-Laws to increase the number of members of the Finance Committee from five to seven members.

RECOMMEND that the Town By-Laws be amended to increase the membership of the Finance Committee to seven members.

**ARTICLE 11.** To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$4,000.00 for the purpose of reconstruction work on Park Street.

RECOMMEND that \$4,000.00 be appropriated for the continuation of reconstruction work on Park Street.

**ARTICLE 12.** To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$2,734.76 from the proceeds of Chapter 616 of the Acts of 1967 for the reconstruction of Bates Street.

RECOMMEND that \$2,734.76 be appropriated from Chapter 616 of the Acts of 1967 for reconstruction work on Bates Street.

**ARTICLE 13.** To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$500.00 for the purpose of providing for participation of eligible retarded children in a Regional Summer Recreation Program.

RECOMMEND that \$500.00 be appropriated for a Regional Summer Recreational Program for Retarded Children.

Polls Will Close at 8:00 P.M.

And you are directed to serve this Warrant by posting an attested copy in three or more public places in the Town of Mendon at least seven days before said meeting; one copy thereof shall be posted on the Town Hall Building.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk of said town before the time of meeting aforesaid.

Given under our hands at Mendon, this Seventeenth day of February A.D. 1969.

E. Theodore Giatas  
Arthur Wiersma  
James H. Grant  
SELECTMEN OF MENDON

A true copy, attest:  
Harold C. Barrows, Jr.  
Constable of Mendon



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